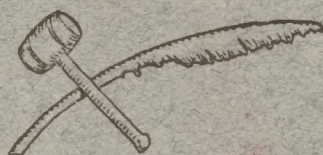


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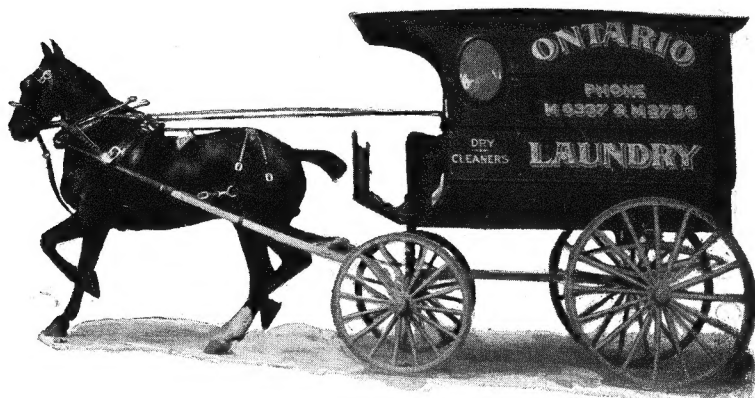
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## Foreword

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In presenting this little book to the public the chief aim of the Calgary Women's Press Club has been to render a real service to the women of this city. This is the first attempt that has ever been made to obtain a condensed and collective account of the work done by the various women's organizations of Calgary, and it is the hope of the Press Club that this book will become an annual feature of club life and that in the future it may develop into a woman's paper which will exert a powerful influence in the community as the representative of a broader womanhood.

By gathering together these reports and by giving the club women of this city the benefit of the professional experience of its members, the Calgary Women's Press Club felt that it had an opportunity to save the various clubs considerable expense and to give woman's work such dignified publicity that it would be a revelation and inspiration to those individuals and clubs that so faithfully have done their part in this trying yet important year.

Our members are grateful to Mrs. Arthur Murphy (Janey Canuck), Dominion President of the Canadian Women's Press Club, with which the Calgary branch is affiliated, for her sympathy and encouragement in this work and for her practical demonstration of it by the contribution of the first article in the book.

We wish to thank the various clubs represented in this work for their hearty support of this project. Without their co-operation the work could not have been carried through successfully.

Finally, the Press Club also values the generous assistance of the advertisers, who have shown a substantial appreciation of our endeavor by giving the book their generous patronage.

ELIZABETH BAILEY PRICE,  
President.



MRS. ARTHUR MURPHY, "JANEY CANUCK,"  
President of the Canadian Women's Press Club.



## Introduction

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IN LOOKING over the pages of this book, with its list of Calgary organizations, it has occurred to me that while in these days we hear much concerning the power of the press and the pulpit, as much might be said with equal justice of the power and efficiency of the Feminist Movement, as demonstrated in its various and widely divergent clubs.

One could best form an estimate of this work in a town by considering what it would mean if we citizens woke up one morning to find that all the clubs had been disbanded during the night. If the churches and their missionary outposts could no longer expect substantial cheques or bales of goods from the Ladies' Aid, if there were no auxiliaries to supply cots, furnishings or money for the hospitals, if the Young Women's Christian Association ceased to supply shelter and protection for the girls, if the Daughters of the Empire grew weary of caring for the soldiers and their dependents, and if the Victorian Order of Nurses ceased to make their rounds of healing, the result would be nothing short of a disaster. And having sustained all these staggering losses the community would still have to face a condition of affairs where the Consumers' League, Free Registry Offices, the Women's Institutes, Settler's Welcome League, the Musical, Art and Literary Clubs, Playground Association, Humane Society, Travelers' Aid and a dozen or more kindred organizations had ceased to exist. The result could be hardly short of chaotic.

Instead of the ancient but ever verdant cartoon of poor, poor father going dinnerless because of mother's club habits, the new cartoon would portray him as rushing madly to prepare dinner for the purpose of giving mother a chance to resume her habits. Yes, this would be the way of it, without a doubt. Father would be terribly distressed to feel himself in any measure responsible for the discontinuance of her numerous works of mercy and of grace.

Under different conditions, in different places, and in wholly dissimilar forms, the "Woman's Movement" breaks out with apparent spontaneity, but in nearly all cases it is the result of the immediate pressure of some need for the saving and uplifting of humanity.

Irrespective of the fact that few women are able to tell us the

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compelling motives which have driven them into activity, in spite of the truth that certain deficiencies exist in some or all of their associations, yet when these associations are brought solidly together into the central bodies known as the National and International Councils of Women, they become the strongest and most impressive of modern forces.

But the Woman's Movement is something more than forceful and dignified. It is a movement which aims to unite law with love, forming thereby a system which, for a better name, we may call the scientifically spiritual. Well and truly has it been said that "the mother-heart of God will never be known to the world until translated into speech by the mother-hearted woman."

Still more and greater things can the movement claim. When the branch of it described as the Women's Christian Temperance Union fights to protect the boy, or that branch described as the Equal Moral Standard strives to protect the girl, we cannot but see in these a strong desire and determined effort on the part of the woman to carry out her primal and fundamental duty as a human being of the mother sex, namely, the preservation of the human species. This being the case, it can readily be seen that the movement rests on the basic principle of life itself and that, in consequence, it were as easy for objectors or critics to blow out the sun, a feat which to this time, has met with but scant and indifferent success, as to stop the trend of modern womanhood.

The publishers of this club blue book are to be felicitated on their enterprise and energy in giving some very useful, definite and interesting information concerning the club movement in Calgary.

So far as Calgary's Women's Clubs are concerned, no city of its size in Canada can claim to have any advantage in well-conceived and successful endeavor.

*Emily F. Murphy.*

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## LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF CALGARY

### PREAMBLE

We, women of Canada, sincerely believing that the best good of our homes and nation will be advanced by our greater unity of thought, sympathy and purpose, and that an organized movement of women will best conserve the highest good of the family and state, do hereby band ourselves together to further the application of the Golden Rule to society, custom and law.

That we may successfully prosecute this work we adopt the following:

### POLICY

The aim of the Local Council is to bring the various associations of women in Calgary into closer relationship through an organized union. But no society entering the Local Council should thereby lose independence in aim or object, or be committed to any principles or methods of procedure of any other society in the Council. The object of our Council is to serve as a medium of communication between women's organizations and a means of prosecuting any work of common interest. The Local Council of Women is a confederation of societies and ideas rather than of individuals.



**MRS. R. R. JAMIESON**

The officers of the Local Council of Women, chosen at a public meeting October 26, 1912, were as follows:

- President—Mrs. R. R. Jamieson.
- First Vice-President—Mrs. G. W. Kerby.
- Second Vice-President—Mrs. E. A. Cruickshank.
- Third Vice-President—Mrs. Wm. Pearce.

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Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. P. J. Nolan.  
Recording Secretary—Miss Burns.  
Corresponding Secretary—Miss H. G. Glass.  
Assistant Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. F. S. Jacobs.  
Treasurer—Mrs. P. S. Woodhall.

Of these officers, all retain their offices with the exception of Miss Burns, who now resides in Scotland, and Mrs. Pearce, resigned. Their places have been filled by Mrs. F. M. Black and Mrs. Wolley-Dod.

The societies which have affiliated with the Local Council in Calgary number fifty-one.

Committees: The Council has been very fortunate in its selection of convenors of committees, each of whom has shown great wisdom and energy in carrying out the work entrusted to her.

The following is a list of committees and convenors:

Legislative Committee, Mrs. Harold Riley; Immigration Committee, Mrs. W. D. Spence; Aged and Infirm, Delinquent and Defective Children, Mrs. F. D. Beveridge; Public Health, Mrs. Wolley-Dod; Employment of Women, Mrs. S. Houlton; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs. J. A. Clark; Suppression of Objectionable Literature, Mrs. F. Langford; Public Playgrounds, Mrs. Ranlett; Nursing, Mrs. S. C. Reat; Civic, Mrs. Jamieson; Home Economics, Mrs. E. P. Newhall.

From this last committee grew the society now known as the Consumers' League, which has done much to reduce the cost of living in Calgary and has brought the producer and the consumer into closer touch, to the great advantage of both.

Emergency Committee: At the outset of the war this committee was deemed necessary. Through it most useful work was accomplished, such as the establishment of the Labor Bureau and the Woman's Exchange. The matters of Woman's Franchise and looking after the families of the unemployed was also under the direction of this committee.

Labor Bureau: With the help of the affiliated societies, each contributing two dollars, the Local Council of Women was enabled to open a Labor Bureau. Country homes were found through the Women's Institutes of Alberta, which wrote to the Farm and Ranch Review. These applications were handed to the L.C.W. to deal with. Special credit is due Mrs. Brophy and our President, Mrs. Jamieson, for their untiring energy and continuous interest in finding the most suitable home for each applicant.

Law and Legislative Committee: Not the least active of our committees was this dealing with law and legislation. As a result of petitions granted, Calgary has now a woman on the School Board, a Police Matron and the assurance that two Police Women would be appointed.

The petition presented to the legislature for a school for Ruthenian girls was promised as soon as one existed for boys. Regarding the petition presented for a detention home, nothing was promised, but the government signified its intention of providing for defective children and helpless old people in the near future. Mrs. Harold Riley, in preparing these petitions, has been most painstaking to have them constitutional in every way.

Comfort of Business Women: Through the interest shown by the L.C.W., improvements in sanitary conditions in stores and offices have been accomplished and greater comforts provided.

Vacant Lots Garden: At the instigation and encouragement of Mrs. Ranlett, a Vacant Lots Garden Club was organized. Through this Club many unsightly spots have become centers of beauty and useful-

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ness. Children as well as grown-ups have been encouraged to take an interest in gardening and in the beautifying of our city.

Equal Franchise Committee. This committee, headed by Mrs. Jamieson, Mrs. Kerby and Mrs. Langford, waited upon the premier in October and presented the petition of equal franchise. He told them that the act could not be changed until after the plebiscite was taken. In March a delegation from all over the province was received by the premier and his cabinet. Our President, speaking from the floor of the house, urged equal rights for women. Hope was given of a successful outcome of their mission, and that during the next session consideration would be given the subject. The petitions presented contained over 40,000 names. Of these over 6,000 petitioners were rural ladies.

Loyal Calgarians: What has been accomplished by the L.C.W. could not have been done without the support and sympathy of the citizens of Calgary. We intend continuing the work for the welfare of our city, and ask of every one the same loyal support in the future that has been given us up to the present time.

JESSIE GLASS, Secretary.

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### REPORT OF THE CALGARY BRANCH CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.

#### Officers of the Calgary Local Branch

Honorary President—MRS. PINKHAM.

President—MRS. J. H. WOODS.

First Vice-President—MRS. J. S. DENNIS.

Second Vice-President—MRS. P. J. NOLAN.

Third Vice-President—MRS. R. R. JAMIESON.

Hon. Treasurer—MRS. BRUCE ROBINSON.

Hon. Secretary—MRS. J. CAIRNS.

Superintendent of Supplies—MRS. C. B. WAAGEN.

Executive Committee—MRS. J. A. LOUGHEED, MRS. RANLETT,

MRS. E. S. DOUGHTY.

Finance Committee—Chairman, C. W. McMillan; Hon. Treasurer, C. B.

WAAGEN; DR. A. M. SCOTT; D. J. YOUNG;

Hon. Secretary, W. L. GIBSON.

#### FOREWORD

The Canadian Red Cross Society, which is affiliated with the British Red Cross, was the first colonial branch of the Red Cross to be established in any country. It was organized by Col.-Lieut. Ryerson in 1896. It tendered its services to the belligerents in the Spanish-American war, and was ready for active service at the time of our own South African campaign. Colonel Ryerson, of Toronto, was sent as commissioner to South Africa to superintend the distribution of Canadian supplies in that country.

✓ In 1909 the Canadian Red Cross was incorporated by act of parliament of the Dominion of Canada, and became the official channel of communication between the public of Canada, the British Red Cross Society and the Department of Militia and Defence. In time of war the Canadian society receives its orders direct, through its commissioner in London, from the British Red Cross Society, which in co-operation with the St. John Ambulance Association, works under the immediate direction of the War Office and Army Council.

The headquarters of the Canadian Red Cross Society are in Toronto, but each province has its own headquarters, organized under

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the direction of the Toronto office, whose duty it is to organize Red Cross work throughout their own province. It is the aim of the society that no city, town or village in Canada should be without a branch of the Red Cross. Branches thus organized in cities, etc., are known as local branches, and are responsible for the conduct of their affairs to the provincial headquarters, who in their turn are responsible to the head office at Toronto.



MRS. J. H. WOODS

At the outbreak of the present war no branch of the Red Cross Society existed in the city of Calgary. It was felt that at a time when all were called upon to play their part in the great struggle confronting our empire, Calgary should not be behindhand in assisting with supplies and funds, the work of caring for our sick and wounded soldiers. On Monday, August 17, 1914, at 3 p.m., a mass meeting of women interested in forming a Red Cross Society was held in the Public Library.

This meeting was called at the request of the local Chapters of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, the Local Council of Women and the Benevolent Society. The Regent of the Colonel Macleod Chapter I.O.D.E., Mrs. Nolan, was in the chair, and the other ladies on the platform were Mrs. R. R. Jamieson, president of the Local Council of Women; and Mrs. J. H. Woods, president of the Benevolent Society. Miss Pinkham was appointed acting secretary. At this meeting it was resolved that a Red Cross Society should be formed at once, and the following officers were appointed:

Hon. President, Mrs. Pinkham; President, Mrs. J. H. Woods; First Vice-President, Mrs. West Jones; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Nolan; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Jamieson; Hon. Secretary, Miss Pinkham; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Bruce Robinson.



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In pursuance of this resolution a subsequent meeting was held in the Public Library on September 3, at 4 o'clock, the President, Mrs. J. H. Woods, being in the chair. At this meeting it was decided to follow the plan of work which was being adopted by other Red Cross Societies throughout the Dominion, i.e., to divide the workers into groups composed of ten or more workers each, various ladies volunteering to form and manage these groups. It was announced that through the kindness of The Calgary Herald, space had been secured in the Herald Building for an office, which would be a distributing center through which the local work would be conducted. It was resolved that the society should commence work in this office on September 8. Mrs. West Jones handed in her resignation as First Vice-President, and Mrs. J. H. Dennis was elected in her place. In addition to the officers elected at the first meeting, the following ladies were chosen to act on the executive:

Mrs. Loughheed, Mrs. Waagen, Mrs. Ranlett, Mrs. Doughty.

### **The Following Is the Report of the Work Accomplished by the Calgary Red Cross Society from September 8, 1914, to April 30, 1915**

The duties of the local branch are, in part:

- (1) To enroll members, life members and associates.
- (2) To collect subscriptions and donations of money and material.

The Calgary local branch commenced work on September 8 with twenty groups of workers and 48 associate members. At the present time the branch has ten life members, i.e., subscribers of \$25.00 or over; 250 active members, subscribers of \$2.00 annually; and 461 associate members, subscribers of \$1.00 annually. There are now over eighty Red Cross sewing groups in the city, composed of from 10 to 30 members each, while large numbers of workers not attached to any sewing circles are giving their services individually, some working in their own homes, others assisting at the depot cutting out garments, sewing or preparing supplies. It is estimated that about 1,600 women in the city are engaged in Red Cross work. Besides these city workers, auxiliaries to the local branch have been formed at various centers not far from the city, such as Airdrie, Bute, Springbank, Delaware, Jumping Pond, Pleasant Range and other centers that are not in a position to form Red Cross branches of their own. The helpfulness of the work executed by these auxiliaries in preparing supplies and extending and fostering an interest in Red Cross work cannot be overestimated.

During this period 35,398 articles have been cut out and prepared for distribution by the ladies of the local branch, while 56,282 completed articles have passed through the branch. Of these 40,337 have been shipped for the use of hospitals in France and England.

### **Generosity of Business Men**

When the branch first opened in September, much difficulty was experienced in securing the necessary finances for the work. It was decided that an appeal should be made to the men of the city, as it was felt that if the women were willing to give their time to the work the men would be equally willing to contribute financially. A finance committee was therefore organized, and the work is now supported through the generosity of the business men of the city, by a system of monthly contributions. Up to date over \$8,000 has been expended in materials and supplies. The supplies sent forward to the front have included such articles as hospital suits, shirts, surgical shirts, nightshirts, bed jackets, pyjamas, nurses' aprons, pneumonia jackets, socks, bedsocks, Balaclava caps, wristlets, holdalls, bed linen, dressing gowns, bedpads, handkerchiefs and bandages of all descrip-

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tions. These garments are made from regulation patterns approved by the British War Office, and no articles are sent forward for which there is not a special demand.

### Local Branch Aids Provincial

In addition to the local work done by the Calgary branch, the society, for a month after its formation, executed the work of the provincial branch, keeping in touch with various towns in the province that were anxious to form societies, until such time as the provincial branch was formed. Miss Pinkham, acting secretary of the local branch, was then elected hon. secretary of the provincial society, Mrs. Cairns being chosen to fill the vacant office on the local executive. The work of the society increased so quickly that it was soon found necessary to find larger quarters than could be secured in the Herald Building, and through the kindness of the Calgary Furniture Store, the Calgary branch was given offices during the winter months in the Calgary Furniture Building, which became not only the center of the local work, but the receiving depot for the province. In February it was again found necessary to change quarters, and a move was made to the present offices of the society at 214a Eighth avenue west, which have been placed at their disposal through the generosity of Messrs. Loughheed and Taylor. At the present time the Calgary branch assists in a most helpful way the work of the provincial, by furnishing the various made samples which are sent out to towns wishing to organize Red Cross work, also in cutting materials for those towns which cannot secure their needs locally. Up to date over 1,000 sample garments have been furnished to the provincial society by the local branch, while every week large orders are executed by the ladies of the local society.

### Response to Special Appeals

The Calgary society has not been behindhand in responding to the special appeals of the British and Canadian Red Cross Societies. In November last, in response to an appeal for motor ambulances, the women of Calgary presented an ambulance through the Calgary local branch of the Red Cross Society, to be used by Canadians at the front. In January the local branch did its share in providing 1,100 abdominal belts, 1,100 pairs gloves, 1,100 washcloths and 3,300 handkerchiefs for the men of the 31st Battalion in the barracks at Victoria Park, Calgary. During the months of January and February, the branch presented \$500 worth of underclothing and \$100 worth of bed linen to the Canadian Red Cross in response to an appeal for both these articles. Through the Calgary society seven beds have been presented to the Duchess of Connaught's Red Cross Hospital at Cliveden, England. The branch is also bearing the expense of the nurse sent from the city of Calgary to work with the British Red Cross Society in response to a request for twenty Canadian nurses to be chosen from various parts of Canada to nurse with the British sisters. The nurse chosen for this purpose was Miss Macfarlane, of the Calgary General Hospital. Miss Macfarlane left for Toronto headquarters on April 7, and proceeded to England with the other nurses chosen by the Canadian Red Cross Society. These nurses are engaged for a term of one year's service, the sum required to cover the expenses of each nurse amounting to \$500.

During the month of April, the Calgary branch, in answer to an appeal for hospital suits sent out by the Canadian Red Cross commissioner in England, presented 13½ dozen of these suits to the society. The suits are specially needed for the use of convalescent soldiers who are able to walk about the wards or to take exercise in

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the grounds, but are not well enough to wear their uniforms. They are made according to regulation pattern, of navy blue or grey flannel, with scarlet tie and white flannelette lining, and are one of the most useful gifts that can be made to the society.

### Co-operation of Calgary Women

No report of the work of the Calgary Society would be complete without special mention of the splendid manner in which this work has been carried out by the women of Calgary. From the start the success of the work depended upon the whole-hearted co-operation of the various women's organizations throughout the city, and on the loyal support of individual workers.

Special mention must be made of the splendid support given to the society by the various Chapters of the Daughters of the Empire. The Tan-nis-uk Chapter I.O.D.E. alone have completed during the last eight months over 2,067 articles for the use of the society. This Chapter was the first to take work from the society. As a Chapter they have given the Red Cross their heartiest support in all its endeavors and appeals. In September last the members presented 23 dozen towels to the society, and through this Chapter seven beds have been donated to the Duchess of Connaught's Cliveden Hospital.

The Military Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire are donating their work as a Chapter to the Red Cross, and their generous contributions are greatly appreciated by the society. This Chapter has given five beds to the Cliveden Hospital.

The ladies of the Sir Richard Grenville Chapter have been especially helpful in their work at the Calgary depot, furnishing from their members many who have given their time to cutting and preparing the supplies of the Red Cross, besides accomplishing much work in their own homes. This Chapter has furnished five beds to the Duchess of Connaught's Hospital at Cliveden.

The Colonel Macleod Chapter, while not working as a whole organization, have given every possible assistance to the Red Cross work, and have responded generously to all appeals sent out by the society. Many of the ladies of this Chapter are the heads of large sewing circles, and are responsible for a great amount of the work being done. This Chapter is contributing ten or twelve beds to the Cliveden Hospital. Besides these organizations the local branch owes its heartiest thanks to many church societies, women's clubs and other active social bodies, who are giving their time to the work of the society.

### Kindness of Local Firms and of Local Press

Through the kindness of many of the large business firms the furnishing of the offices of the Red Cross was accomplished without expense. The society also owes a very hearty vote of thanks to the press of the city for their courtesy and consideration in giving to the Red Cross Society space through their papers to make known its needs to the public.

### Need for Sustained Effort

As regards the work of the local branch, Mr. Noel Marshall, chairman of the Central Council of the Canadian Red Cross Society, writes as follows: "I know of no greater pleasure I could have than to be able to personally thank on behalf of the members of the Central Council, the people of Calgary for the great work their local branch has done. It must be very gratifying to your committee who have worked so hard." Mr. Harcourt Vernon, late secretary of the Canadian Red Cross Society, writes of the Calgary work: "I may say

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that the work of the Calgary branch is carried on in the most helpful manner possible." This appreciation from the head office cannot fail to prove acceptable to all those who are interested in the welfare of the local branch. That so much has been done is due to the united efforts of the men and women of the city. The Calgary branch of the Red Cross Society has earned a reputation which must be sustained. In view of the terrible casualty lists and the tremendous demands made upon the Canadian Red Cross Society, the call for supplies from all branches of the society is extremely heavy. One of the first needs of all Red Cross Societies is money with which to purchase medical supplies, which cannot otherwise be obtained.

The local branch suggests to all those who are interested in its work that they should make every effort to get in touch with any persons who have not yet contributed to the society. No one can afford to shirk the responsibility of caring for our sick and wounded.

The Red Cross supplies forwarded to the Canadian Red Cross commissioner in London are placed at the disposal of hospitals where the need is greatest—Canadian hospitals naturally being given the first consideration. The society, acting in conjunction with the Department of Militia and Defence, and under the direction of the War Office, is in the best position to know the requirements of wounded men. All those who care to do so, are invited to visit the depot at 214a Eighth avenue west and inspect the supplies which are going forward. The society invites your interest and requires your help—as a citizen of the empire you cannot afford to ignore its work.

(Signed) KATHLEEN CAIRNS, Hon. Secretary.  
ELEANORA WOODS, President.

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### REPORT OF COLONEL MACLEOD CHAPTER I.O.D.E.

Honorary Regents—Mrs. Pinkham and Mrs. Lougheed.

Regent—Mrs. P. J. Nolan.

First Vice-regent—Mrs. Willis James.

Second Vice-regent—Mrs. W. R. Hull.

Treasurer—Mrs. Grogan.

Secretary—Mrs. D. G. Lamont.

Assistant Secretary—Mrs. Danks

Standard Bearer—Mrs. F. Lowes

Councillors—Mesdames Macleod, Wolley-Dod, Turner-Bone, Findlay, Sisley, Riley and Miss Pinkham.

On the evening of October 20th, 1909, a public reception was held at the home of Mrs. Lougheed, to meet representatives from Toronto, of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire. The meeting was happily presided over by Senator Lougheed, and the following addresses were given by the visiting ladies:

"The aims of the Order" were presented by Miss Catherine Merritt: "The Work of the Order," was outlined by Mrs. Bruce; "The Echoes," the official organ of the Order, was spoken of by Mrs. Burns; "The Navy League Work," was described by Miss Merritt, and "The Work Among the School Children," was explained by Miss Jackson. After listening to these inspiring addresses the feeling of the meeting was that a Chapter in Calgary could do a splendid work and fill a decided want. It was moved by Mrs. Lougheed, seconded by Mrs. Macleod, that a chapter be formed. Then Colonel Walker and Dr. Scott brought forward the happy suggestion that the Chapter be called the Colonel



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Macleod Chapter, in honor of Colonel Macleod, who had done so much for Alberta and Calgary in the early days. Colonel Macleod's life motto "Hold fast," was adopted as the motto of the new Chapter. Thus launched on its useful career, the following were the first officers: Regent, Mrs. Pinkham; first vice-regent, Mrs. Lougheed; second vice-regent, Mrs. Cruikshank; secretary, Mrs. Spence; treasurer, Miss Foote; standard bearer, Mrs. Nolan, with a membership of twenty-six.

The meetings during that and the succeeding year were held at the residence of Mrs. Lougheed. The work undertaken was interest-



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ing and varied, among the first being the donating of the uniforms to the Public School Cadets, and one hundred and eighty dollars to the Boy Scouts.

The first Rose Ball was held November 24th, 1910, since then the Rose Ball has become an annual event which does much to supply the treasury. In 1911 the Chapter made a substantial donation towards the South African Memorial when that undertaking most needed funds and last year we had the pleasure of assisting at the unveiling of this beautiful monument.

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Our Chapter has always been deeply interested in the Cadets and in 1912 a silver cup was presented for the best marks in general proficiency. Not only by prizes, but by personal attendance at camp and at school drills and reviews, have we tried to instill our ideas of patriotism. Each year an Essay Competition, open to all pupils in all our schools, is held. The subjects chosen are such that will lead the boys and girls to study the history or stirring events or illustrious persons of their own or the motherland, and will fill them with respect and love for the Empire. The year 1914 has been marked by the untiring efforts on the part of the members to meet the demands of the extraordinary circumstances occasioned by the declaration of war. Not only have their sympathies led them to sacrifice and work for the task to their hands at home, but many are the benefits they have sent far afield. Owing to the great success of the Rose Ball held at the opening of the Palliser Hotel in June, when war was declared, the Chapter was able to vote one thousand dollars to a war relief fund and was in the position to give practical assistance to the wives of our soldiers. On August 27th, thanks to the kindness of Mr. Woods, an office was opened in the Herald Block, where the work of looking after the wives and children of British naval and military reservists, and those of our allies, also the Princess Patricia Light Infantry, was begun. Sixty-three families were on our list. This work was continued until the Canadian Patriotic Fund had established branches and was in running order about the middle of November.

The War Relief Fund was augmented by various means, concerts, benefits, etc., until the sum of twenty-four hundred and seventy-three dollars was reached. This was spent by donations to the Belgian Relief Fund, Motor Ambulance Fund, Fund for the Poor of London, and by relief work and supplying comforts for our own soldiers. The demands for help for hospital work have been answered by a grant for the installation of four beds at the Cliveden Hospital and by voting the proceeds of the Made-in-Canada Exhibition to the installing of four more beds at the Duchess of Connaught Hospital, and the remainder of the money, three hundred and sixty dollars, to the Red Cross Society for the purchase of medical and surgical supplies.

A happy event of the year 1915 was the presentation to our Regent of the Badge of the Order, mounted, as a pendant, and the life membership of our Chapter. These were presented as a token of appreciation for Mrs. Nolan's untiring efforts during the four years she has been Regent of the Colonel Macleod Chapter.

ADELE LAMONT, Secretary.

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### MILITARY CHAPTER OF CALGARY, I.O.D.E.

The Military Chapter I.O.D.E. was the third one of the Order to be organized in Calgary. A meeting at the home of Mrs. Cruikshank, on Feb. 16, 1914, resulted in the organization of the Military Chapter of Calgary, I.O.D.E. The twenty-two women present became the charter members and the following officers were elected.

Honorary Regent—Mrs. Armstrong.  
Honorary Vice-Regent—Mrs. DeKam.  
Regents—Mrs. E. A. Cruikshank.  
First Vice-Regent—Mrs. G. MacDonald.  
Second Vice-Regent—Mrs. A. T. Linton.  
Secretary—Miss Ethel Egbert.  
Treasurer—Mrs. H. J. Robie.  
Standard Bearer—Mrs. Mapson.

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The only change in the executive has been in the office of Standard-Bearer. Mrs. Mapson resigned on going to England for a protracted stay. Her place was filled by Mrs. Stanley Jones. When Mrs. Jones accompanied her husband to England Mrs. Bell took her place. On Mrs. Bell's resignation, Mrs. A. O. MacRae was appointed to the office and now holds it. At the annual meeting in February, 1915, three councillors were added to the Executive—Mrs. Weatherbee, Mrs. Stirrett and Mrs. T. H. Graham. On the resignation of Miss Grierson, "The Echoes" secretary, Mrs. T. J. Butler was appointed to fill the vacancy.



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At the organization meeting it was decided that the motto of the Chapter be "We Serve," and that the day for the monthly meeting be the third Wednesday. Wives, mothers, widows, sisters and daughters of military men were to be eligible for membership.

During its fifteen months of existence, the membership of the Chapter has increased from 22 to 116. It has held 20 meetings, all fairly well attended and enthusiastic.

Up to the time war was declared the chief work of the Chapter was the undertaking, with the co-operation of the Col. Macleod Chapter, of a Flag Day for the South African Memorial Fund, which resulted in raising \$1,500 for the fund. The Chapter also donated prizes and cups for the Cadet Camp held in Calgary in July, 1914.

At the outbreak of the war in August the order felt that this was its opportunity to justify its existence, and this feeling seemed to apply particularly to a Military Chapter. With the other Chapters and women's organizations this chapter joined in the work that first presented itself—making housewives for the soldiers and holding a Flag Day in aid of the Hospital Ship Fund. In September it was decided that the special work of the Chapter would be to look after the

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dependents of the men who had gone to the front from Calgary as members of the local military units. A War Relief Fund was started and through the kindness of the Hudson's Bay Co., an office was opened in their store where any of these dependents requiring aid were asked to apply. Mrs. Bell was appointed secretary-treasurer of the Relief Fund. On her resignation in February, Miss F. M. Hudson was elected to the office and now holds it. From the time the office opened in September until November 6, when the Canadian Patriotic Fund began paying out money, about forty families received assistance.

With the coming of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, the work of the Chapter was changed, but not lessened. Its office in the Hudson's Bay has become the place where all applicants for assistance from the Patriotic Fund come to fill out application forms. The office is open every afternoon from 2.30 to 4.30 and some member of the Chapter is always present to assist the applicants.

Before money is paid, each of these dependents must be visited and the case investigated. This difficult and rather unpleasant work has also been done by the Chapter and its thanks are due to Mr. P. Burns, the C.P.R., Mrs. W. Maclean and Col. Walker, who have kindly donated the use of their automobiles on certain days of the week, for this work. The Chapter is also sharing with the Tan-is-Kuk and Col. Macleod Chapters, the work of visiting all these applicants once a month.

As many of these families were destitute when the soldiers enlisted, and as, necessarily, some time elapsed between application and the receipt of money from the Patriotic Fund, the Chapter has assisted these women with orders of coal and groceries, and in some cases money. In a few cases, this has been repaid when the Patriotic Fund money was received.

Money for the Relief Fund has been obtained in various ways: Monthly donations by the members of the Chapter, teas given by the members, Sunday night band concerts, luncheons, a military tournament given by the 31st Battalion, a military pot-pourri, and private subscriptions. One unique method is by the sale of the book "Whirlpool Heights," written by the Regent of the Chapter, Mrs. E. A. Cruikshank. This book sells for \$1.25, and the author has donated 50 cents from each book to be used by the Chapter for its Red Cross Work. Since the opening of the War Relief Fund in September, the total sum of money collected amounts to \$3,125.70. The total expenditure has been \$2,894.03. Of this over \$2,000 has been spent in relief work among the soldiers' dependents; about \$300 for Red Cross Work, and the remainder in donations toward various causes directly connected with the war.

Although the members of the Chapter have been doing Red Cross work individually and in units, it was decided in March that greater effort should be put forth along these lines. By the kindness of Mr. Wendell Maclean, rooms were opened in the Maclean Block in the beginning of April, where the Chapter now works as one large unit. Material is purchased from the Red Cross Society and the articles are made by the members or any others who wish to work with the Chapter. Members who are not able to work are asked to make a small contribution each week toward hiring someone to sew.

The ideal of the Chapter is to have every member working for the soldiers in some way. Only by constant effort of this kind can the Chapter motto: "We Serve," be vindicated.



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### ANNUAL REPORT TAN-NIS-UK CHAPTER I.O.D.E., CALGARY, ALBERTA.

#### OFFICERS:

Regent, Mrs. W. D. Spence  
First Vice-Regent, Miss Jean Fletcher  
Second Vice-Regent, Miss Constance Sanders  
Secretary, Miss Corinne Dingman  
Assistant Secretary, Miss Daisy MacGregor  
Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Skinner  
Standard-Bearer, Miss Bessie Findlay  
Councillors—Miss Mabel Hutton, Miss Eleanor McLennan, Miss Mary  
Posthwaite, Miss Edythe Lilly, Miss Evelyn Sinclair  
Miss Rosamund Wolley-Dod.

February 28th, 1915. The Tan-nis-uk Chapter has closed the first year of its existence, and while the work has been carried on under many difficulties much has been accomplished.

The chapter, which has the distinction of being the first young women's chapter, and the second of the I.O.D.E. in Calgary, was organized January 15, 1914, Mrs. W. D. Spence, Honorary Organizing Secretary of the I.O.D.E. for Southern Alberta, being asked to take the regency, with a charter membership of 35, which has since increased to 83. Of this membership the close of the year finds ten members absent from the city, either permanently or for a length of time, and three married.

During the year 15 regular, 20 executive and three special meetings were held, the average attendance being good.

The educational work undertaken by the Chapter was inaugurated at the meetings prior to the war. Papers on educational subjects were planned for each meeting, and those given included one on The Canadian Form of Government, by the regent, and also one on the British Form of Government and the British Possessions. Recently the sum of two dollars was voted to purchase pamphlets on the European crisis to be read by the members.

Following the outbreak of the war, in conjunction with the Colonel MacLeod and Military Chapters, the Tan-is-uk Chapter accomplished much, a hospital ship tag day being held in August when the sum of \$3,380 was realized, a parcel containing a "housewife," sox and handkerchiefs being given to each member of the Calgary detachment of the first contingent, numbering 300 men, and the dependents of the soldiers being visited, a Christmas treat of plum pudding, tobacco and chocolate was given to the thirty-first battalion, in barracks at Victoria Park, and a mass meeting called to organize a branch of the Red Cross Society. The military chapter was assisted in serving tea on Field Day at the annual Alberta Cadet Camp.

Assistance has also been given other organizations. In June the Chapter aided a South African Veterans' Association, in a flag day to raise money for a South African memorial, by selling flags in the city and at the annual military camp. In July the Victorian Order of Nurses was assisted at a garden party given during the visit of T. R. H. The Duke and Duchess and Princess Patricia of Connaught; the chapter tagged in a body for a charity tag day held by the Local Council of Women, when \$3,000 was raised. In December it co-operated with the Women's Press Club in giving a Christmas tree to the children of the men at the front. This last event was an unqualified success and the children and their mothers as well as those who worked for it were delighted with the results.

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Books and magazines have been sent to the wives of reservists living in the country; tickets were sold for a mammoth patriotic concert, the proceeds of which were given to the patriotic work in the city; a committee from the Chapter packed all the women's clothing for the Belgian Relief; a parcel containing handkerchiefs and socks was given to each member of the corps of guides, a hundred and ten of the first contingent.



MRS. W. D. SPENCE

Red Cross work has been done by the Chapter since the outbreak of the war, the close of the year seeing eleven hundred and thirty-nine articles completed and a record established for the quality of the work.

Money amounting to \$1,243.48 has been raised since the war began by the following means; voluntary contributions, a Cinderella dance, two concerts, two afternoon teas, a skating party and a special matinee at the Allen Theatre.

The following gifts and donations have been made by the Chapter: \$8 for a flag, won by the Lethbridge Company, for the best appearance at the Annual Cadet Camp; \$25 for material for housewives; \$50 for shipment of the Red Cross (spent to purchase bath towels); \$25 to buy small supplies for the Corps of Guides; \$100 to the Belgian relief (to buy women's underwear); \$70 towards Lady Jellicoe's Fund

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(for the North Sea Fleet); \$50 towards fund for a motor ambulance for the front (bought by the women of Calgary); \$8 to the Princess Mary Fund; \$75 for Christmas Cheer at the barracks; \$25 to the Red Cross Society; \$25 in answer to the appeal of the Toronto Municipal Chapter for National Chapter; dolls, toys and small gifts for 100 children, the dolls of which were dressed by the members and averaged from \$3 to \$16 in value; \$30 to Y.M.C.A. (for maintaining a reading room at the barracks); \$25 to Y.W.C.A. funds.

One great drawback to the successful management of the Chapter has been the constant changing of officers through illness or removal from the city, no less than six secretaries having held office, and the regent being obliged to do the work at different periods. Still the Chapter has not been without honor. At the annual meeting of the National Chapter in June Mrs. Spence was presented with a life-membership in the order by the National Chapter for her work as Honorary Organizing-Secretary for Southern Alberta, in recognition of which the Tan-nis-uk Chapter passed a resolution of its appreciation at its August meeting.

Miss Margaret Mills, the first secretary of the Chapter, was called by her duties as a member of the military nursing corps to the front when war broke out and left with the first contingent. In December the regent presented the medals to the cadet company which won the challenge cup by the National Chapter at the Toronto Exhibition in 1913, the presentation taking place at the collegiate institute commencement exercises.

While we all regret the reason for the pressure of work during the few months just passed, results show that the work has been done steadily and faithfully by all members, but before closing this report I must say that I feel too much cannot be said in praise of our regent to whom by her untiring efforts and unflagging zeal is due the success of the Chapter.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAISY MACGREGOR,

Assistant Secretary.

Since the close of the year the Chapter has contributed seven beds in the Duchess of Connaught Canadian Red Cross Hospital at Cliveden, England.

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### THE SIR RICHARD GRENVILLE CHAPTER IMPERIAL ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE EMPIRE

Regent—The Hon. Mrs. Francis A. Macnaughten.

First Vice-Regent—Mrs. Herman Mewburn.

Second Vice-Regent—Mrs. Edmund Taylor.

Treasurer—Mrs. Hugh Melvin.

Secretary—Mrs. D. Clive Betts.

Standard Bearer—Mrs. W. H. Clarke.

Members—Mrs. A. E. Cross, Mrs. W. J. Watson, Mrs. T. M. Fyche, Mrs. G. West Jones, the Hon. Mrs. Pierson, Miss Pinkham, Mrs. M. S. McCarthy, Mrs. E. N. Martin, Mrs. Guy Whitaker, Mrs. A. M. Pinkham, Mrs. Gerald Robinson, Mrs. R. O. Callaghan, Mrs. Hartley Burroughs, Mrs. L. H. Baker, Mrs. F. H. Peters, Mrs. F. C. Clarke, Mrs. Francis Lumb, Mrs. Harry Tait, Miss Helen Muckleston.

The Chapter was organized on November 6, 1914, just at the beginning of the war, and when every woman was expected to do her share of the tremendous work that only women can do at such a time.

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The name Sir Richard Grenville was chosen in honor of the great naval hero of the sixteenth century, whose gallant defence of the little "Revenge" against the Spanish fleet will never be forgotten.

For Christmas we were able to send to the soldiers who were guarding the bridges in Western Canada, periodicals, newspapers, magazines and a supply of tobacco.

Through the very generous co-operation of the members of the Ranchmen's Club, we made \$200, which we sent at once to the Queen's Canadian Military Hospital to help buy the necessary hospital equipment which was so much needed at that time. The Chapter donated socks on that day when every Calgarian was asked to make this small gift.

When the appeal came for beds for our Canadian soldiers we raised \$100 by small entertainments and sent that as our share. Also we are sending several copies of The Daily Herald to an English woman who has promised to forward these to convalescent soldiers from Alberta.

During the last four months we have worked with the Red Cross Society by having, at least, one of our members at their rooms each day, and in that time we have made for the society 120 surgical shirts, 14 pairs pyjamas, 310 T-bandages, 30 pairs bed socks, 20 knitted wash cloths, 40 colored handkerchiefs, 10 many-tailed bandages, 20 fomentation wringers.

EDNA BETTS, Secretary.

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### BELGIAN RELIEF COMMITTEE. HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Belgian relief work in Canada was first taken up in September of 1914 by reason of a letter from Mr. Jadot, a prominent Belgian financier, addressed to Mr. Prud'homme, a well-known citizen of Montreal. A central committee for Canada was formed, with Mr. Goor, Consul-General for Canada, as its chairman, and Mr. Prud'homme as the honorary treasurer. The work throughout the Dominion was organized through the consular agents of Belgium in the various provinces.

Belgian relief work in Southern Alberta was organized on September 21, 1914, by the formation of a central committee, with headquarters in Calgary. The committee consisted of Alex. Allan, chairman; E. Michener, M.P.P., Red Deer; T. M. Tweedie, M.P.P., Calgary; W. A. Buchanan, M.P., Lethbridge; J. R. Miquelon, Calgary; A. Brown, Medicine Hat; Mrs. Harold Riley, Calgary; and J. H. Woods, Calgary, hon. secretary-treasurer.

The work was afterwards divided into three districts, with Red Deer, Calgary and Lethbridge as centers.

The actual work of organizing the reception, packing and shipping of goods from Calgary was placed in the hands of a Woman's Auxiliary, of which Mrs. Harold Riley was convenor, and Mrs. A. M. Grogan the honorary secretary-treasurer. The women's committee consisted of the regents of the three Chapters I.O.D.E., the presidents of the Local Council of Women and Women's Canadian Club, Red Cross and Women's Benevolent Society, also an additional representative member of the above clubs. The names are as follow:

Mrs. P. J. Nolan, Regent Colonel Macleod Chapter I.O.D.E.; Mrs. Cruickshank, Regent Military Chapter I.O.D.E.; Mrs W. D. Spence, Regent Tan-is-uk Chapter I.O.D.E.; Mrs. R. R. Jamieson, President Local Council of Women; Mrs. Wooley-Dod, President Women's Can-



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adian Club; Mrs. J. H. Woods, Red Cross Society; Mrs. Gerald Robinson, Young Women's Benevolent Society; Mrs. Geo. Mason; Mrs. Geo. MacDonald; Mrs. J. S. Dennis; Mrs. Kerby; and Miss Helen Mewburn.

The committee commenced their work of sorting, fumigating and listing the donations of clothing received from all parts of Southern Alberta, and from some parts of British Columbia, and were loaned a



MRS. HAROLD RILEY

warehouse for that purpose by Mr. J. R. Miquelon. Two and a half carloads, consisting of 240 cases, containing 28,000 garments, were packed, listed and shipped. These garments were tabulated into the following classes: Infants, boys and girls, women and men. The clothing for boys and girls were classified from the ages of 3 to 18. In addition there has been half a carload of foodstuffs, comprising 10,000 lbs. of salt pork, 25 hams, 16 cases of marmalade, 45 cases of Laurentia milk, 9 boxes of canned goods, 1 barrel of coffee, 17 cases of cod steak, 1 box of soda biscuits and 1 case containing 4 lbs. of tea, 1 sack of dried fruits, 6 cases of milk and 1 sack of corn meal, also 1 bedstead and springs. The Alberta Government sent 5,000 bags of flour in September.

Donations of clothing continue to arrive from time to time, and the auxiliary meets when necessary for the packing and listing of

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these.

During the winter months Prof. Mack Eastman of the Calgary University kindly gave his services in the way of holding illustrated lectures on "Belgium, Before and Since the War," in the various towns in Alberta, and in this manner added greatly to the funds of the local relief committee, and brought many interesting facts about Belgium before appreciative audiences. Prof. Eastman's first lecture was held in Knox church, Calgary, the proceeds of which were given to the relief fund, and was held under the auspices of the three chapters I.O.D.E.

The financial receipts of the Belgian Relief Committee for Southern Alberta, apart from the gifts and shipments of goods such as above noted from various points, have amounted to \$13,294.94. With this money seven carloads of flour were shipped from Calgary, and \$5,071.00 has been sent to the Canadian Central Committee in Montreal up to date.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MIRIAM GROGAN,

Honorary Secretary-Treasurer, Women's Auxiliary.

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### THE WOMAN'S CANADIAN CLUB

The Woman's Canadian Club of Calgary was organized in 1911. The purpose of the Club, as stated in the constitution, is "to foster patriotism, to encourage the study of the institutions, history, arts, literature and resources of Canada, and to unite Canadians in such work for the welfare and progress of the Dominion as may be desirable and expedient." The society does not undertake money-making schemes nor is it the exponent of any particular movement, but rather it is a clearing-house for ideas of general interest to all intelligent, patriotic women. At first the membership was limited to British women, but in 1913 the bounds were widened to give probationary membership to any woman, even if not a British subject, if she be in sympathy with the aims and spirit of the Club.

The society has had, from time to time, as guests and speakers distinguished musicians, actors, politicians, churchmen, writers and men of affairs, each with a message from his special field of interest. Among these have been Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson, Rev. C. W. Gordon, ("Ralph Connor"), Henry George, Jr., Mrs. Arthur Murphy, Mrs. Nellie McClung, Dr. Shortt, Dr. Yeomans, Rev. William Patterson of Belfast, Dr. Darby, Miss Margaret Anglin, Madam Clara Butt, Dr. Robertson, Prof. Maurice Hutton. Local speakers have also provided some interesting programs. Among these, one of peculiar interest was an account of the coronation ceremonies of King George given by one of our members, Mrs. Glen Broder, who has had the special honor of being present at two coronation ceremonies. During 1914 a course of lectures was given before the Club by Prof. Eastman on Canadian history, and a prize was donated at the university to promote an interest in the study of early Canadian history. In every way an effort is made to rouse enthusiasm for our own land, in its history its present efforts and its future possibilities. Dominion Day has been marked each year by some gathering of patriotic interest.

In 1912 the Club affiliated with the Local Council of Women, and a keen interest is shown in any effort to better conditions in our own city. The night classes among foreign-born citizens have been encouraged and helped by the donation of prizes for proficiency in

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English. The Club has also assisted in extending hospitality to guests of the city at conventions, and has shown its interest in civic movements for better city planning, the abolition of billboards, the monument for our South African veterans.

The movement which has resulted in the foundation of the local Tubercular Hospital had its inception in the Woman's Canadian Club. In 1911 a committee of the society investigated the need of such an institution and commenced the work which was afterwards taken over by the Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, and finally resulted in the foundation of the hospital on Sixteenth avenue North-east, which is doing such splendid work.



MRS. WOLLEY-DOD

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The present membership is 296. The presidents have been: 1911, Mrs. C. A. Stuart; 1912, Mrs. C. A. Stuart; 1913, Mrs. Price and Mrs. Langford; 1914, Mrs. A. M. Scott. officers for the present year are:

President—Mrs. Wolley-Dod.

First Vice-President—Mrs. MacWilliams.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. A. A. Moore.

Third Vice-President—Mrs. T. B. Moffat.

Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. W. A. Geddes.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. J. McCutcheon.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. A. Palmer.

Literary Correspondent—Mrs. F. C. Moyer.

Treasurer—Mrs. Sydney Houlton.

Councillors—Mrs. Harcourt O'Reilly, Mrs. F. S. Selwood, Mrs. T. J.

Costello, Mrs. William McLaren, Mrs. Postlethwaite, Mrs. J.

Stanley, Mrs. A. Miller and Mrs. J. C. McNeill.

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### AMERICAN WOMAN'S CLUB.

#### LIST OF OFFICERS

##### Retiring Officers

President—MRS. E. R. LEVERTON.  
Vice-President—MRS. C. E. FENKELL.  
Second Vice-President—MRS. B. A. DUMPER.  
Recording Secretary—MRS. H. KING GIBSON.  
Corresponding Secretary—MRS. H. H. SHARPLES.  
Treasurer—MRS. J. H. LAVENDER.  
Assistant-Treasurer—MRS. J. M. STREIB.

##### New Officers

President—MRS. C. E. FENKELL.  
Vice-President—MRS. J. H. LAVENDER.  
Second Vice-President—MRS. B. A. DUMPER.  
Recording Secretary—MRS. F. T. CAMPBELL.  
Corresponding Secretary—MRS. ERNEST GREIG.  
Treasurer—MRS. F. C. CARPENTER.  
Assistant Treasurer—MRS. S. PORTER.

The A.W.C. of Calgary was organized in March, 1912, its purpose, as stated in its constitution, being "To be an organized center of action for the promotion of social life and for co-operation with other local organizations in the carrying out of improvements, civic and philanthropic, and to be a means of mutual improvement."

From the time of its organization the club has considered its hospital work a great pleasure and a great good. The various hospitals in the city are visited once or twice each month, and flowers and magazines are distributed to the sick of American nationality, this limitation as to nationality, however, being overstepped whenever funds permit.

With the greater need for charity work, the club has increased its work along this line during the past year. At the annual charity day (November 23) over 300 garments were donated, repaired and made ready for the Salvation Army Children's Home. On another day sixty nightgowns were made for the Children's Shelter. Under the direction of a special committee, several families have been provided with groceries, clothing and shoes. The club helps to support the Travelers' Aid and the Women's Employment Bureau, and contributes each year to the Y.W.C.A. and Technical School.

In a resume of this, the third year of the club, the department work, which is the study work of the club, may be reviewed.

The travel department, with Mrs. McNeil as chairman, having devoted two years to the study of Northwest Canada and Alaska, Mexico and the Panama Canal, spent the past year in the study of the eastern portion of the United States, and is planning to study the western United States next year.

The literature department, under the leadership of Mrs. Newhall, has read "Henry VIII" and "Antony and Cleopatra."

The D. S. department, with Mrs. Reed as chairman, has perhaps been the most popular and best attended. The year's study has included demonstrations of soups, meats, salads, desserts and other dishes too numerous to mention. In their study of national cookery, papers have been read on the following subjects: "Scotch and Irish Stews," "English Dishes," "Chinese Cooking" and "French Alchemy."

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The arts and crafts department, with Mrs. Ranlett as leader, has been very successful in this, its first year's work. "Home Decoration" and "Oriental Rugs" have proved to be interesting and instructive subjects of study. "Home Decoration" was studied under the able direction of Mrs. C. W. Williams in a series of lectures and discussions. "Plant Influence upon Architecture, Ornament and Design" was the subject of an excellent illustrated lecture given by Miss Kennedy, the resident librarian of the Public Library staff. Through the courtesy of the department, this lecture was given after one of the monthly business meetings of the club, so that the entire club might enjoy it.

At one business meeting, Dr. Ward, of the U. of C., lectured on "Certain Aspects of the Present World War." At other meetings readings and music by club members and their friends and "Current Events" have been the form of entertainment.

The social life of the club is a source of pleasure to the club members and their friends. The officers of the club, the D. S. department and the travel department have each tendered the club a delightful afternoon during the year. Dances and card parties where guests were invited proved very popular, too.

The A.W.C. is affiliated with the Foreign Department of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and at the biennial convention in Chicago last June, was represented by its president and two other members.

Business and sociability were combined in the closing function of the year—the annual May luncheon. After lunch and a delightful program of music and reading, the annual business meeting was held. New officers took their places and the club disbanded for the summer to take up its active work with renewed vigor in September.

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### THE YOUNG WOMEN'S BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

President—Mrs. J. H. Woods.

First Vice-President—Mrs. F. C. Lowes.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. W. H. Clarke.

Secretary—Mrs. Hugh Melvin.

Treasurer—Mrs. F. Gerald Robinson.

The Young Women's Benevolent Society consists of twenty-five members, and meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from October till May. The Society has no constitution and only a few rules, one of which is that each member shall be a working member and shall attend meetings regularly and punctually. Fines are imposed for absence and unpunctuality.

The Society exists for purposes of general benevolence, and during the year has been able to aid the General Hospital, the Victorian Order of Nurses, the Associated Charities, the Convalescent Home, the Young Women's Christian Association, the Travelers' Aid Society, the Belgian Relief, besides supporting a widow in India.

A room in the General Hospital in memory of Mrs. Pirie has been furnished by the Society.

Twenty-five infants' complete outfits were made and given away during the winter.

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### TREASURER'S REPORT, 1914

#### Receipts

Balance on hand .....	\$386.75
Fees and fines .....	33.55
Entertainments .....	212.21
Bridge and tea at Cronn's .....	201.50
Dance at Unity Hall .....	92.00
Payment for two lamps .....	6.00
	<hr/> \$932.01

#### Expenditure

Greta Pirie Ward .....	\$202.20
Silver teapots for General Hospital .....	151.20
Young Women's Christian Association ....	20.00
Local Council of Women .....	2.00
Convalescent Home .....	100.00
Material for infants' clothing .....	39.95
Bridge, Cronrath Gardens .....	45.00
Travelers' Aid Society .....	80.00
Dance .....	6.00
Support of widow in India .....	50.00
Christmas charities .....	50.00
	<hr/> \$746.35

Balance . . . . . \$185.66

### WOMEN'S HOSPITAL AID SOCIETY

#### Officers for 1915

Hon. President—Mrs. Pinkham.  
Hon. Vice-President—Mrs. Wm. Pearce.  
President—Mrs. Geo. Macdonald.  
First Vice-President—Mrs. P. Turner-Bone.  
Second Vice-President—Mrs. W. H. Berkinshaw  
Secretary—Mrs. W. P. Hibbert.  
Treasurer—Mrs. E. M. Adams.  
Assistant Treasurer—Mrs. J. E. A. Macleod.

The Women's Hospital Aid Society has for many years supplied all linens, blankets, etc., used in the General Hospital. Three seamstresses are employed throughout the year, who make up new material and mend and make over worn articles.

Funds are raised by membership fees, voluntary subscriptions, yearly tag day and yearly ball. At the beginning of the present year the estimated value of the linens in the hospital was nearly \$10,000.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S HOSPITAL AID SOCIETY FOR YEAR 1914

Madam President and Ladies:

I have pleasure in submitting herewith the annual report of the Women's Hospital Aid Society for the year 1914:

In all there were ten meetings held, with an average attendance of eleven. Number of members, eighty-three.

A Tag Day was held on Easter Saturday, April 11, which was a great success, realizing the gratifying sum of \$2,213.

It was decided that the ball usually held in the autumn would not be feasible this year on account of the war, but to counteract this a large saving was effected in the linen department. Towards the close of the year it was found necessary to purchase a quantity of blankets, and the Girls' Auxiliary very generously donated \$400 of their funds

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for this purpose. As Mrs. Cronn had kindly offered to give a tea for the benefit of the Women's Hospital Aid Society, it was decided to extend the privilege to the Girls' Auxiliary, with the result that a very successful tea and sale was held by them in November.

The thanks of the Society are again due to the Board of Management of the Central Methodist church for the continued use of the parlor for meetings, the Press for its never-failing courtesy in ad-



MRS. PINKHAM

vertising the tag day through the society editors, the Board of Directors of Knox church for accommodation in connection with tag day, the Girls' Auxiliary for assistance on tag day and also financially, and to all others who helped make the year 1914 such a successful one to the Women's Hospital Aid Society.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. HIBBERT, Secretary.

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### THE GIRLS' HOSPITAL AID.

President—MISS EDYTHE LILLY.

First Vice-President—MISS PHINA PEARCE

Second Vice-President—MISS BESSIE FINDLAY.

Secretary-Treasurer—MISS DOROTHY RUTHERFORD.

The Girls' Hospital Aid was formed in 1907 as an auxiliary to the Women's Hospital Aid, and it is still under their supervision. The object of the society was to keep the children's ward in the General Hospital supplied with flowers, toys, books, etc. The membership then numbered twenty-three and was composed of girls and young married women. In 1910 the latter resigned and organized the Young Women's

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Benevolent Society, which has since become well known for its splendid work.

The Girls' Hospital Aid has now, in 1915, forty-seven members; the work has made good progress, and for several years the society has been in a position to equip and maintain the children's ward.

The funds of the society are raised in various ways. An idea of the work accomplished will be obtained by reading the Annual Report for 1914, given below:

### REPORT OF THE GIRLS' HOSPITAL AID FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1914.

Total amount of funds in the bank after all expenditures....	\$1,317.86
Total amount of money earned during the year .....	812.96
Total amount of money spent during the year .....	763.01
Value of material in stock .....	349.05

Three successful affairs for the purpose of raising money were given: A Cinderella dance in February, a garden party in June and a Tipperary fair in November.

With the exception of July and August, the regular sewing meetings were held each month.

The children's ward was completely done over and partly re-furnished, and now is most attractive.

Flowers were sent to the hospital during the summer months, at Christmas and Easter.

At Christmas 205 presents were sent to patients, nurses and domestics.

DOROTHY RUTHERFORD, Secretary.

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### TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL AUXILIARY.

When the city assumed the management of the Tuberculosis Hospital, the Hospitals' Board, realizing that it was through the efforts of some of the women of the city that such a hospital had been founded and maintained, and wishing to retain the interest and co-operation of the women, suggested that a Women's Auxiliary be formed.

Through the press an invitation was extended to every woman interested in the cause to meet at the Y.W.C.A. on May 15, 1914.

The Calgary Tuberculosis Hospital Auxiliary was organized at this meeting and the following officers were elected:

MRS. WM. CARSON, President.

MRS. D. E. BLACK, First Vice-President.

MRS. BOND, Second Vice-President.

MRS. G. MIDDLETON, Secretary.

MRS. L. G. MUMFORD, Treasurer.

Executive—MRS. E. E. TAYLOR, MRS. W. J. BUDD, MRS.  
SHEFFIELD, MRS. STAFFORD.

Monthly meetings have been held in the Y.W.C.A., and several special meetings have been called.

The Auxiliary, in organizing, had in view the following objects:

To add to the comfort and promote the happiness of those suffering from tuberculosis.

To seek out persons suffering from the disease and to try to induce them to receive proper treatment, either in the hospital or in

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their own homes, in order to safeguard the community, and to give the patients themselves a much better opportunity for recovery.

To keep in touch with discharged patients and to endeavor to have them surrounded by such conditions as would insure their continued improvement in health.

The Auxiliary, recognizing the heroic and self-sacrificing work of the nurses, would endeavor to give them support, encouragement and sympathy.

In pursuing these aims the year's work has consisted in:



MRS. WM. CARSON

Supplying milk and eggs to persons predisposed to tuberculosis, "who from financial reasons were unable to procure suitable food."

Raising funds to send patients to their homeland and friends;

Finding work for discharged patients, and when necessary providing them with railway fare;

Fitting up tents for outside patients;

Providing extras for particularly distressing cases in the hospital;

Securing free dental attention for patients requiring it.

Since the organization of the Auxiliary, a visiting nurse has been appointed by the city health department, and they have worked in co-operation with her.

The Auxiliary is indebted to the Pallesen and Carlyle dairies for generous donations of milk;

To the lumber companies for lumber for tents.

To Swedish and Norwegian citizens for co-operation in assisting patients who were their fellow countrymen;

To many other citizens for generous donations.

The Auxiliary would also like to acknowledge the courtesy of the

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Hospitals' Board in adopting recommendations made by the Auxiliary regarding improvement in conditions at the hospital.

The outline of the plan undertaken by the Auxiliary might be termed hospital extension work, as the object is to take up such details as the hospital authorities are unable to enter into—to ameliorate conditions and to effect a more complete cure than the hospital alone can accomplish.

The work in its scope is practically without bounds. The great need is more workers and more funds.

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### THE CONSUMERS' LEAGUE

The following is a resume of matters which have been taken up by the Executive of the Consumers' League since the last open meeting in April, 1914:

One of the suggestions made at this open meeting was that the cost of ice in Calgary should be investigated. Letters were sent to Denver, Edmonton, Butte, Great Falls, Helena, Toledo and Winnipeg. It was found that the price of ice in Calgary compared favorably with the prices in all these towns except Toledo, where ice was sold at 10 cents for 25 lbs., but it is the general opinion that ice in Calgary might be served cleaner.

A member of the League was invited to Regina to assist in establishing a market and the organization of a league there. As a result of this visit a committee was appointed in Regina to work up enthusiasm on the market question. Another suggestion made to the League was the putting back of the clock. Letters on this matter were sent to the mayor of Calgary and to the Board of Trade and to the Trades and Labor Council. From replies received we gathered that the suggestion was favorably received but that it was too late to effect such a change during the present year.

Following the example of the Housewives' League in the United States, the Executive decided to order buttons, which they would hand out to farmers and producers only in the market. These buttons are given all farmers who attend the Calgary market. They do not mean that the League approves the products or the prices charged by the farmers, but this is the only method that we can adopt to distinguish the farmer from the dealer on the market.

Letters were received from the Housewives' League of Montreal and that of Ottawa, asking if we would be willing to affiliate with them in a National League. This we agreed to do in all respects but that of changing our name. The Housewives' League of Ottawa also asked: 1. That we support them in urging the pressing of the clause referring to the net weights of contents and the name of the packer, also to the standard weights of bags and bushels in the act known as the "Act to Amend the Inspection and Sale Act" brought before the house of Commons.

2. Asking for our support on the matter of a demand that the government protect the consumer against an unjust rise in prices during the war.

With regard to the first request, a letter was written to Mr. R. B. Bennett for an advance copy of this act, and also a call was made on Senator Loughheed asking for his support, which he kindly promised.

On investigation we found that there was no standardization of Canadian weights and measures, and as a result of the agitation of the Consumers' League the city council sent to England for a

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standardized equipment for the short weights and measures inspector. We also found that before a person could obtain redress for short weights and measures received in a store in Calgary it would be necessary to have the charter of Calgary amended. This has now been accomplished, and a letter was written to the Legislative Committee urging them to pass a bylaw giving the short weights and measures inspector power to obtain convictions for short weights in the city stores and uptown markets. This bylaw was drafted by the city solicitor and put into the hands of the Legislative Committee some eight weeks ago, but apparently they are not anxious to have the council pass it, as they have deferred considering it until the new



MRS. E. P. NEWHALL

market bylaw is prepared, which the League understands from Mr. Ford will be ready some time in May.

As a result of the advertisement of the Calgary market by the Consumers' League, and the large number of letters written to farmers and producers generally, there was an ever-increasing supply addressed to the market superintendent, who had no proper means at his command to place it before the public. The Market Advisory Board took a stall at the market and sold such farmers' produce for three days, whereby sixteen dollars and thirty-three cents (\$16.33) was made in commissions. Then they took the matter up with the mayor and commissioners, requesting that the city establish a stall where such supplies might be put before the consumer at prices which allowed a moderate profit to the producer at a reasonable price to the consumer, such a stall to be a standard of prices, as is established in the Brandon market. After some argument with the commissioners this was done.

At an open meeting in August it was decided that the Executive

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should bring in a carload of flour, as it was felt an excessive profit was being made by the mills at that time. This carload of flour was sold at the market and proved very popular, gaining hundreds of new members for the League. This was followed by two other sales of flour at the market, at which special prices were given to members of the League by different retailers in Calgary. The stallholders in the market expressed themselves as being very pleased with these sales, as the advertisement given drew crowds to the market.

The Retail Merchants' Association asked the League to see that members patronized "Made in Calgary" goods. To further this object, a visit of the Executive was paid to the Rockland marmalade factory and also a visit of the members was arranged to the P. Burns & Co.'s plant in East Calgary.

The League took up the question of the price of coal. After much investigation it was decided to endorse a firm which would sell coal at a reduction of not less than 75 cents per ton to members of the League. This sale increased our membership by large numbers and induced many coal dealers in the city to hire stalls in the market to sell coal and wood, thereby increasing the revenue of our city market, and the price of coal was lowered all over the city.

It was brought to the notice of the Executive that a carload of frozen fish from Slave Lake, Alberta, was in the city, but the owner of it was not allowed to sell it. The League investigated, gave the facts to the press, and the Executive decided to sell the fish themselves in the market. This sale not only enabled the League to advertise and encourage an Alberta industry, but it netted \$30, which sum was added to the \$13 earned by the Executive at the first League stall, to form an emergency fund for the League.

When this year's city council came into office the League saw that some of the members were decidedly unsympathetic in their attitude towards the market. The Market Advisory Board opposed Mr. Manarey's amendments to the new market bylaw, and the Legislative Committee agreed not to accept them. The Market Advisory Board also opposed the raising of the butchers' license from \$1 to \$50, and in this matter received unsolicited help from the Hon. Duncan Marshall.

A letter was received from Mr. Miller, asking the League to send delegates to the convention to be held at Olds. Three delegates were chosen, who derived much instruction from their visit and had several talks with farmers at the convention which are already bearing fruit in the shape of supplies to our market.

The supply of produce at the city stall fell off considerably after Christmas. A committee was appointed to write to 200 farmers, asking them to send their products to the Calgary market and explaining the market superintendent's method of dealing with the same.

A letter was received from the Horticultural Society, asking the League to co-operate with them in trying to raise the standard of Alberta potatoes. It was decided to call an open meeting and ask the above society to send a delegate to address members on the cultivation of potatoes. This was arranged for the evening of April 7, when a very instructive lecture was given by Mr. Stevenson, and an enjoyable evening spent.

A sale of seed potatoes was arranged for at the market. In this sale the League co-operated with the Vacant Lots Garden Club.

ANNIE GALE, Secretary.

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### VACANT LOTS GARDEN CLUB

It was a woman in the city of Philadelphia, U.S.A., some five years ago, who first suggested the plan of utilizing the vacant lots of that vast city to provide food and work for the unemployed. Little did she dream that her practical suggestion would receive continent-wide consideration, or that the Canadian city of Calgary, so remote from the American home of the Quakers, would one day be enthusiastically carrying out her plan. It was also a woman who laid the proposition of the Vacant Lots Garden Club before the Local Council of Women of this city, and the fact that today almost every street in Calgary is dotted with these vacant lot gardens, is largely due to the energy and enthusiasm of the women who assisted in the organization of this club in the spring of 1914.

The Club is co-operative and reciprocal in principle, and aims to bring within the reach of every man the means of raising his own supply of fresh vegetables, and that at comparatively little cost. Incidentally the city is improved in appearance; many unsightly plots become really beauty spots. Owners of vacant lots have given good assistance by placing their property at the disposal of the Club. The movement met with good reception from the start; 250 lots were cultivated last year and 170 members enrolled. The membership for the present year is 430, with 950 lots under cultivation. Fine crops were raised on many of the lots last season and even greater results are expected this year. The success of the scheme has been largely due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Alexander Calhoun, the chairman, and his able executive, who have given freely of their time to the movement.

Members of the executive. Ald. J. S. Arnold, Ald. W. H. Manary, Mrs. J. B. Sutherland, Mrs. Gale, Supt. K. W. McNicholl, Park Supt. W. R. Reader, H. H. Kitely, Adjutant F. Howell, H. H. Sharples, H. G. Burrows, Secretary-Treasurer.

The office of the Club is Room 9, Lee Block, 328 Eighth Avenue West.

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### CALGARY TEACHERS' ALLIANCE.

The Calgary Teachers' Alliance was organized in October, 1914, and the following officers elected:

Honorary President—HON. J. R. BOYLE, Minister of Education.

President—F. W. FRENCH, B.A., Principal Central High School.

Vice-President—MISS TIER.

Secretary—D. ANDREWS, M.A.

Treasurer—W. ABERHART, B.A.

Committee—MISSES BROCK, MACDONALD, COUTTS, LATHWELL, HENDERSON, HALLECK; MESSRS. BAKER, LYNN, MASSEY, TORRIE and VANVOLKENBURG..

The officers, with this committee, constitute the executive, which meets monthly and transacts the business of the Alliance. The Alliance meets at the call of the president, acting on the advice of the executive.

The aim of the Alliance is:

- 1—To safeguard the teachers' interests.
- 2—To unite all actively engaged in teaching in the city.
- 3—To give effective voice to the collective opinions of the teachers on educational matters.
- 4—To further co-operation between trustees and teachers in all educational interests.
- 5—To maintain a professional standard of conduct, to foster and promote a professional spirit among the teachers.

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6—To afford advice on professional matters to individual members of the Alliance, and to give advice and assistance to them in legal cases of a professional nature.

7—To extend protection to any members who may be wrongfully treated in any matter pertaining to their professional work, and to exact from them the proper fulfilment of their professional engagements.

8—To discipline any of its members found guilty of unprofessional conduct.

In attaining these aims some progress is discernable. The Alliance called a meeting prior to the municipal elections to hear the candidates for the school board. Most of them responded to this invitation to present their views and make known the platform upon which they based their claim to election. Thus the importance of the work of education was brought more prominently before the people and public attention directed in a special manner to the place the school board has in making that work effective.

At the request of the Alliance the secretary of the school board was instructed to send notices of all board meetings to the secretary of the Alliance. Thereupon representatives from the Alliance were appointed to attend those meetings—thus paving the way for a greater co-operation between trustees and teachers in educational matters. The representatives of the Alliance have been welcomed by the board and courteously treated, and on different occasions have been referred to for information on matters under discussion. Through their representatives the Alliance comes into more intimate relations with the school trustees, and as a result the interest of the teachers in educational work in the city is widened.

In April the Teachers' Journal was issued under the auspices of the Teachers' Alliance. Each member, of whom there are 165, 127 women and 38 men, receive a copy. Copies were also distributed to members of the Provincial Teachers' Association, meeting in Calgary during Easter week. The Teachers' Journal will be issued periodically. The hope is that an "alliance" uniting all teachers in the province will be organized in the near future. Anyone actively engaged in public school teaching is eligible for membership on payment of an initial fee of \$1.00, and a yearly fee of 50 cents thereafter.

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### CALGARY SCHOOL BOARD EVENING TECHNICAL CLASSES FOR WOMEN

ADVISORY BOARD FOR WOMEN'S SUBJECTS,

1913-14

Mrs. R. R. Jamieson  
Mrs. W. T. D. Lathwell  
Mrs. F. M. Black  
Mrs. W. R. Winter

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Mrs. F. M. Black  
Mrs. W. R. Winter  
Mrs. J. S. Arnold

First Lady School Trustee, Miss A. G. Foote, 1914-15.

In the autumn of 1911 the Calgary School Board inaugurated a small scheme of evening technical classes, chiefly for youths and men

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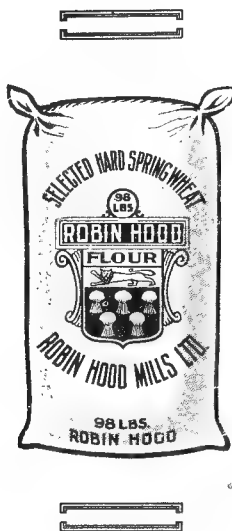
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engaged in the engineering and building trades. During the previous winter the board had offered a short evening course in cookery, which had been very successful, and this subject also found a place in the new scheme, a regular course in scientific cookery being carried on throughout the winter months.

The following winter (1912-13) saw a large extension of the evening classes, and cookery was carried on with success in several centers in the city. Many of the students were young women engaged in business during the day, and a good number of housewives also took the course. Commercial courses were also instituted this session and a large number of young women took lessons in typewriting, shorthand, commercial arithmetic and business English.

From the inception of the evening classes the board had been assisted by an advisory committee of citizens, who were invited to co-operate with the board in carrying on the work. Encouraged by the success attending their efforts during the first two seasons, the School board determined upon a still larger scheme for the session of 1913-14, especially in the provision of classes for women. The advisory committee was enlarged and for the first time in the city's history such a thing had been done, four lady members were invited to serve upon it. In addition to elementary and advanced courses in cookery, classes were opened in plain and fancy sewing, dressmaking, including cutting out, millinery, laundry work and home economics. For some reason, laundry work and home economics did not attract any students, but in each of the other subjects the enrollment was so large that additional classes had to be opened. The services of the lady members of the advisory committee proved to be very valuable in carrying on these classes, also in the art classes, another new venture in the School Board's scheme for the session of 1913-14, in which a number of women students were enrolled for the study of drawing, design and applied art generally. The commercial courses were also extended, eight different classes being in operation, with a large enrollment of students, at least half of whom were young women. At the time the School Board invited the four ladies to serve on the advisory committee, ladies were ineligible under the city charter for the office of school trustee. This was changed by the legislature late in 1913 and a lady member was elected who took her seat on the board in January, 1914, and was made a member of the technical education committee.

The session of the evening classes for 1914-15 opened a month later than usual owing to the unsettled conditions brought about by the war. The financial outlook necessitated the curtailment of the program somewhat, and, curiously enough, the demand for instruction in cookery fell off greatly, although the enrollment in dressmaking and millinery was very large. As in the previous year, the lady members of the advisory committee did excellent service by visiting the classes regularly, assisting in judging the work and in various other ways. Calgary women have also assisted greatly in another field of evening work carried on by the School Board, the teaching of English to the foreign-born. Not only were the teachers and students inspired and helped by the visitation of the classes by the members of the Advisory Committee, but substantial material help was afforded by the Women's Canadian Club and the Col. MacLeod Chapter of I.O.D.E. Each of these bodies generously donated funds for providing prizes for the most successful students, and books on Canada for all. Technical education is only in its infancy in Calgary, but it is certain to grow, and equally certain that the women of Calgary will have a large part in its development in the coming years.

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### THE CALGARY WOMAN TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

The Calgary Woman Teachers' Association was organized in January, 1913.

The objects of the association are two-fold: (1) To raise the standard of the teaching profession by securing for teachers conditions essential to best professional services; (2) The consideration and study of such subjects as the association may deem necessary as: parliamentary law, school law, educational problems.

The first officers of the Association were: President, Miss Coutts; vice-president, Miss Tier; secretary, Miss A. Campbell. For the present year the officers are: President, Miss Tier; vice-president, Miss Watters; secretary, Miss Henselwood.

During the year the Association has held monthly meetings at which lectures of interest to teachers have been given.

In January Professor Sage gave a very interesting address on the Causes of the Present War. In February we had a lecture of a somewhat different character by Mr. F. M. Black, a prominent business man of our city, who spoke on Education and Business.

In March Mr. Hutchinson, of the Alberta Normal School, gave a very instructive talk in which he outlined a method of taking up the study of animals, using the rabbit as an illustration.

On May 1st the Association was particularly fortunate in securing Miss Kennedy, of the Public Library staff, to give a nature talk on Seed Dispersal, which was illustrated by lantern slides.

Again on May 21st we had another meeting at which we had the pleasure of listening to Dr. Miller, Director of Technical Education for Alberta, on a subject of peculiar interest to women teachers: "Women in Education." Dr. Miller pointed out that although the position of woman had long been a subordinate one, even the primitive races owed much to her influence. It was she who domesticated man and discovered the edible plants.

In the past five hundred years fundamental changes have taken place in the social situation which have a direct bearing on woman's work. The old basis of the solidarity of the home—home industries—no longer exists and the unity of home life must come through moral and ethical relation. Woman has been relieved in a great measure from the drudgery of home life and, as a consequence, possesses greater leisure. The great problem in education at the present period is the qualifying of the girlhood of today to make the right use of this leisure. In the past, school courses of study have given too exclusive consideration to intellectual development rather than to the application of knowledge. Accumulation of knowledge is not the aim of education. Success is measured by achievement.

Dr. Miller said a broad field should be opened for education of girls, which should be equal in opportunity to that of boys, but it should be kept in mind that equality does not mean identity.

Since the girls of today have to meet life's problems in a different way from those of the last generation, the interest of the woman teachers should support every forward movement in education which has as its aim the training of girl students intellectually and physically to better cope with the changed conditions.

The speaker regretted that women teachers had not a larger place in the organization, management and administration of the affairs of schools. He suggested that each school should have as vice-principal a lady who should have complete charge of the girls of the school in the same way in which men have the charge of boys.

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### THE MOTHERS' CLUB AND ART LEAGUE OF CONNAUGHT SCHOOL.

The Mothers' Club and Art League of Connaught School was organized in January, 1914. It has for its aim the cultivation of the aesthetic taste of the child, i.e., to assist him to attain the highest and best in his physical, moral, intellectual and spiritual development.

The officers of the club are:

Honorary President—MRS. A. M. SCOTT.  
President—MRS. J. H. CURTIS.  
First Vice-President—MRS. J. A. SMITH.  
Second Vice-President—MRS. H. M. McCALLUM.  
Third Vice-President—MRS. J. R. HENDERSON.  
Fourth Vice-President—MRS. W. A. TUCK.  
Secretary—MRS. F. W. ALEXANDER.  
Convenors of Committees—Social, MRS. C. FAIRN; Flower, MRS. J. H. POYNTZ.

The club seeks to place within the child's reach, as far as possible, the best in music and in art, and set as its first object the procuring of a first-class Victrola.

By means of two very successful concerts held in the High School Assembly Hall, a sale of home cooking and the small yearly membership fee of twenty-five cents, the club has in little more than a year attained its first object, and now possesses a first-class Edison phonograph, valued at \$200, and over thirty records of the best music both vocal and instrumental. The club is now procuring records at the rate of one every school month of the year.

The next object in view is the obtaining of one or two master-pieces in art.

In order to be a live auxiliary of the school, in the laudible aim of educating and elevating the child to the highest plane of manhood and womanhood, we seek to stimulate the mother's natural ambition to start her child aright upon this perilous journey through life by means of helpful addresses given by interesting speakers. At each meeting after business is concluded some topic of special interest to mothers is dealt with and afterwards discussed.

Among the speakers and subjects dealt with have been: Dr. A. M. Scott, on the "Montessori Method of Teaching and Its Application to the Home."

Mrs. Grace Boyd, in a stirring temperance talk on the "Worth of a Boy."

Two talks during the year by Mrs. J. A. Clark.

1—One "The Unfolding Life," an appeal to mothers to give of their best in time and talent to the rearing of their children.

2—On "The Relationship Between Parents and Teachers with Regard to the Child," which brought forth lively, helpful discussion.

Dr. Windsor, on the "Health of Children and Their Care."

Three talks by Mrs. G. W. Kerby:

1—"Mothers' Responsibilities," showing the necessity for mothers to impart intelligently the truth regarding the origin of life.

2—On "The Adolescent Period," showing the great importance of tactful, sympathetic and watchful care of their children at this trying period of their lives.

3—On "Woman's Position in the World and How Attained," an appeal to women to waken to their opportunities and duties as citizens.



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Miss Morrison, domestic science teacher, on "The Value and Preparation of the Cheaper Cuts of Meat," a helpful illustrated talk.

Miss Ruth Hopkins, children's librarian of Public Library, on "The Proper Selection of Books for Children," a most instructive, illustrated talk.

Mrs. J. A. Bell, on "Social Service Work in the City," showing that lives are being reclaimed and brought into the Master's service through devoted Christian workers.

Mrs. H. M. McCallum, on the "Prohibition Campaign Now Approaching," giving facts and figures regarding temperance work, and urging the necessity of every woman's interest and assistance in the coming campaign.

Miss Forman, Dominion organizer among foreign women, on "Work Among Foreign Women," showing plainly how these strangers in our midst need from us kindness and consideration, and most of all a knowledge of our language.

Mrs. J. J. Baker, on "How to Impart to the Child a Love of the Beautiful" struck the keynote of our existence, showing how his aesthetic taste may be cultivated by leading from nature, a knowledge of works of authors, artists, etc., to the knowledge of the Author and Creator of all beauty.

The club has also been active in alleviating some of the distress of the needy in our midst.

Regular weekly meetings were held at the home of Mrs. S. H. Mayhood to make, mend, remodel and distribute garments to the distressed.

An average of ten families monthly were equipped with clothing, some bedding, etc., and an average of five families fed from the supplies donated weekly and distributed from Connaught School. Strict investigation of all cases was made in order to prevent overlapping or imposture. A very generous Christmas donation was also made through the enthusiastic assistance of pupils and teachers of the school, whereby twelve families were supplied with hampers of provisions and toys.

The club feels grateful for the generous support of its members, and hopes to greatly augment its membership as the mothers realize its purpose, what it accomplishes and hopes to accomplish, and we look forward to the coming year with greater confidence in producing results which shall be for the permanent benefit of the pupils of Connaught School.

Signed on behalf of the club,

A. M. CURTIS, President.

F. ALEXANDER, Secretary.

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### THE NAOMI MOTHERS' SOCIETY

President—Mrs. A. B. Rogers.

First Vice-President—Mrs. J. E. Gustus.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. David Sutor.

Treasurer—Mrs. Robert Hunter.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. A. G. Archibald.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. W. A. Johnston.

The Executive Committee consists of nine members: Mrs. A. N. Dafeo, Mrs. Wm. Porterfield, Mrs. F. C. Rumrill, Mrs. A. B. Rogers, Mrs. J. E. Gustus, Mrs. David Sutor, Mrs. Robert Hunter, Mrs. W. A. Johnston and Mrs. A. G. Archibald.

The Hospital Visiting Committee consists of: Mrs. A. B. Rogers, Mrs. F. C. Rumrill and Mrs. J. E. Gustus.

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The Flower Committee consists of: Mrs. A. N. Dafoe and Mrs. W. A. Johnston.

The Naomi Mothers' Society was organized in November, 1910. Mrs. Pound being founder and the Society having a charter membership of about thirty. The officers at that time were: Mrs. Ward, President; Mrs. Rumrill, Vice-President; Mrs. Attridge, Secretary; and Mrs. Austin, Treasurer.

The Naomi Mothers' Society is inter-denominational, and its members are from many different churches. The name of the Society was



MRS. GUSTUS



MRS. RUMRILL

originally "The Inter-Denominational Mothers' Society," being changed in December, 1911, to "The Naomi Mothers' Society."

Our aim is mutual helpfulness between mothers in their care and development of the child in the home, school and community, and anyone interested in this work is qualified for membership. Visitors are always welcome to our meetings.

Our funds are devoted to local benevolences, and we have given a number of donations to charitable organizations in the city. We prefer to do all our work unobtrusively, helping those to whom our attention is drawn as being in need or distress, and undertaking work unnoticed by other societies.

Our yearly membership fee is one dollar.

We have been addressed at almost every meeting on subjects which are interesting and helpful to mothers, such as "Motherhood: Its Responsibilities," by Mr. Wilkin; "Moral Influence in the Home," "Reading in the Home," "The Woman of Tomorrow" and "Amusements for Our Children," by Mrs. G. W. Kerby; "Local Option," by Mrs. Woodhall; The Temperance Question, by Rev. D. R. Sharpe; "Sundays

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in the Home," by Mrs. Sanford E. Marshall; "Religion in the Home," by Mrs. Ackroyd; "Parents and Children," by Mrs. A. D. Archibald; "Teaching Sex Hygiene in the Home," by Mrs. Newhall; "Patriotism in the Home," by Rev. Robert Pearson; "A Message to Mothers of School Children," Dr. A. M. Scott; "The Consumers' League," Mrs. Newhall; "The Travelers' Aid: Its Work and Needs," by Mrs. G. W. Kerby; and many others.

"A partnership with God is Motherhood,  
What strength, what purity, what self-control.  
What love, what wisdom, should belong to her  
Who helps God fashion an immortal soul!

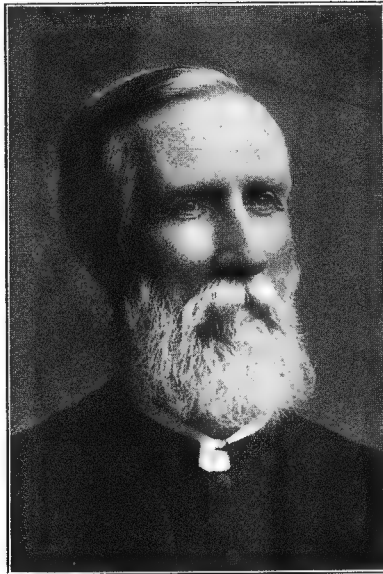
—Dr. Mary Wood-Allen.

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### REPORT OF THE ROBERTSON COLLEGE GUILD OF CALGARY

President—Mrs. McNaughton.  
First Vice-President—Mrs. David Carter.  
Second Vice-President—Mrs. F. M. Black.  
Third Vice-President—Mrs. Christie.  
Secretary—Mrs. A. A. Moore.  
Treasurer—Mrs. Dee Pettit.

Robertson College is the Presbyterian Theological College in the Province of Alberta, situated at Edmonton.



DR. ROBERTSON

It was named in honor of the late Rev. Dr. Robertson, first superintendent of home missions, whose mission field was Canada west of the Great Lakes.

A man who performed his great task so nobly that his name is revered by many who remember him and by many who know him

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only through his work.

Rev. Dr. Dyde is the very efficient principal. The College is now in its fifth year, having been established in 1911. ✓

The Robertson College Guild of Calgary was organized in June, 1914, with representatives from each of the Presbyterian churches of the city on its Executive. Its membership is composed of ladies interested in the present and future welfare of the College. There are similar organizations at various towns in the province, with first and parent Guild at Edmonton. The Robertson College Guild of Calgary has this year presented a very fine piano to the College, which has proven a source of very great pleasure and benefit to the students. It is in order to make our payments on this piano that we ask your assistance and attendance at various lectures and teas from time to time.

The funds have also been augmented by the receipt of membership fees from a number of ladies who have helped us and have shown their interest in a work than which there is none better in this fair province

Our membership list numbers about fifty at present, though owing to the very many demands which have been made on all during the past year, we have not urged this side of our work.

The membership fee is: For sustaining members \$5 per annum and for active membership \$1 per annum.

Through the agency of this Guild donations of valuable books have been made to the College Library, and these are gladly received.

It is the aim also of the ladies of the combined guilds to have, when the permanent building is erected, a "chair" which shall be endowed by the women of Alberta.

In addition to the above officers, the Executive Committee consists of the following ladies:

Mmes. (Rev.) Whiteman, Pardee, Morse, McTaggart, Brydon, R. B. Francis; Misses Foote, Coutts, McBillo and Fowler.

A. M. MOORE, Secretary.

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### YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

#### Officers for 1915-1916.

President—Mrs. Underwood.

First Vice-president—Mrs. MacWilliams.

Second Vice-president—Mrs. Walter Mackay.

Third Vice-president—Mrs. Harold Riley.

Fourth Vice-president—Mrs. Frederick H. Brown.

Treasurer—Mrs. Kerby.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. A. B. Cushing.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Hume.

General Secretary—Miss Glass.

#### What Membership in the Calgary Y.W.C.A. Means to a Young Woman.

The inspiration of belonging to a big world wide unsectarian organization.

A home for a girl who is earning her own living.

Inspiration and good fellowship at Bible classes and vespers.

A strong body and a healthy mind through directed gymnastics, swimming, games, folk dancing and out-of-door sports.

Parties, dramatics, recreation, and introduction to congenial people.

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The magazines and papers in the Reading Room, and the use of books in the Library.

The use of sewing machines—and help to make or alter garments.

An attractive rest room and pure food meals at remarkably low cost.

A place for a young woman to entertain her "young man" other than in public places.

A vacation in the summer at Y.W.C.A. cottage, Banff.

Admittance to Clubs, lectures and concerts.

The assistance of the Secretaries in all possible matters.

### A RETROSPECT

The story of the growth of our Young Women's Christian Association is a record of the faith of strong hearts and of the untiring zeal and devotion of splendid workers. We believe that this summary of it, necessarily short, will be read with interest. We wish to place on record also our gratitude to our Heavenly Father, to Whom we are indebted for whatever measure of success and prosperity has attended our efforts. We hope the work has found great favor in His sight. Here, then, is our story:

In July, 1907, a meeting was held in Knox Presbyterian church to consider the advisability of organizing a Young Women's Christian Association. Miss Little, general secretary of the Dominion, gave an address on association work, after which a Y.W.C.A. committee was formed, with Mrs. G. W. Kerby as convenor. An advisory board was selected, consisting of Hon. W. H. Cushing, Thos. Underwood, Judge Stuart, W. G. Hunt, R. J. Hutchings and C. W. Rowley. The ladies laid before this board their plans to collect money to furnish a home for the girls. Mrs. Underwood was unanimously chosen president of the association. Undaunted by difficulties, in November a house was rented at 222 Fifteenth avenue west, which accommodated some fourteen girls. Miss Adra Luton was appointed general secretary, and under her efficient management at the close of the year the books showed a good balance on the right side. In December, 1908, Miss Luton resigned to return east, and Miss Bradshaw was appointed secretary to fill her position.

It was soon found that this building was far too small to meet the demands of the large numbers of young women coming to our city. In April, 1909, with indomitable courage, the board decided to purchase six lots on Twelfth avenue west, on which to erect a home. These lots meant a cost of \$11,500. By a canvass amongst the business men of the city, a good sum was raised to help pay for the lots. The balance was raised by the ladies by such enterprises as a "Woman's Edition of the Herald," a "Tag Day" and a refreshment booth at the Calgary Exhibition. By September sufficient funds had been raised to entirely pay for the lots.

In November of the same year a campaign was conducted to raise \$15,000 to start the building. After five days' strenuous work the amount was raised, and in December the excavating was done. In the spring of 1910, the new building was begun and the cornerstone was laid on June 21, 1910, by the honored president, Mrs. Underwood. The last of the year saw the "Y" family and furnishings removing from the old temporary cramped quarters into its splendid new home.

On February 16, 1911, it was formally thrown open for the inspection of the public. Words of praise for the board were forthcoming on every side for the splendidly furnished and equipped building they had planned. They were indebted to Mr. Neilson for the

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furnishing of the library; to Messrs. Wood and Bryan for the gymnasium equipment; to Mr. J. R. Jaynes for bathroom furnishings; to Misses Metcalf and Shepard for the office furnishings; and to other friends for donations in various ways.

The following Sunday was christened "Y" Sunday, and a special service was arranged for the girls in the First Baptist church, where Rev. J. C. Sycamore preached a special sermon to the young women.

Following the formal opening came another campaign to remove the floating debt. Soon as possible the institutional work of the "Y" began, the gymnasium, swimming and various educational classes being started.

From the first week in the new building it had been filled to its capacity and was daily turning away girls whom it had no room to accommodate. To meet their need, in September, 1911, an annex was opened on the fifth storey of the New Underwood block. This accommodates as many girls as the main building. With the continued support of the citizens of Calgary, we hope to make more and more efficient this work that is so essential to the meeting of the needs of our young women who are flocking into our city from our own and other countries. This support we still solicit, as we think there are few investments so well made as those to safeguard the lives of the young womanhood of our land.

On resignation of Miss Bradshaw to take the position of general secretary of Victoria Y.W.C.A., in July, 1912, Miss Celia Glass became our next and third secretary. During the years of her regime the work has grown steadily, and many departments of work have been organized.

From 1913 to 1914 success has attended the Y.W.C.A. in every way. At first times were good, money was plentiful, girls had plenty of work and our buildings were filled. Many societies met in our Y.W.C.A., and it became more and more a gathering place for the women of our city, and has become in point of efficiency the third Y.W.C.A. in Canada.

It is with deep gratitude to the Almighty Father that this year, so fraught with danger (financially) to our work, has been passed as successfully as it has. And while we find we have been living at an actual loss the past four months, still we are grateful. When the year opened we had besides our main building an annex capable of accommodating about sixty girls. But with the closing of industries, owing to financial stringency caused by the war, and thus making it necessary for many girls to return to their homes for the winter, we found it necessary to close this up and confine ourselves to the main building only. Even now this is not full owing to the same causes, and to the fact that many have been compelled to live in cheaper rooms on account of reduced salaries, and get their own meals.

The general work of the institution has been carried on as usual in all departments. While financial support has lessened in some channels work in other departments has been increasing. Greater interest has been manifested in the Bible classes, and religious services as well as clubs, under Miss Glass, our general secretary. Our physical culture work has been the best of any year. The work has been carried on most satisfactorily by a well-qualified instructor, Miss Lewis. Great interest has been aroused among the girls in physical training.

The employment secretary, Miss Kennedy, has been an untiring

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worker. Her kindly manner and sisterly bearing have made her a friend of all the girls.

Miss Bush, the superintendent, has also given splendid service in her department, always seeking what is best for the work and girls. We regret that the closing of the annex deprived us of the help of Miss Dunlop, the superintendent of the annex, also of Miss Agnes Thompson, who was Membership Secretary till last October, when she accepted a call to the general secretaryship of the Edmonton Y.W.C.A.

To our President and Board the year has been a trying one. Many questions of vital importance to be hastily and wisely decided came before them, and while it was often a case of "Many women of many minds," yet we have weathered the storms and stress of the year and stand an undivided Board, ready to do our part in furthering the work, which is only one little field in the Master's great vineyard. Since last December we have lost one-third of our revenue, but we have not lost hope or faith, and while we are showing for the first time in our existence a deficit, we believe that He who has guided us and helped us in the past will still help us, and with reverent hearts we humbly thank our Heavenly Father for all the benefits of the past year. We look into the future with undimmed faith for greater things with an increased work.

The summer cottage at Banff has been kept open each year for a place of rest for the girls. At present we own lots, on which we hope at no distant date to erect a suitable building for summer recreation. This year just closed brought us the sum of \$500, made in Banff, to be applied to the summer home.

Our institution is not a charitable institution at all. It is a home, a place of education, where girls may also have shelter and recreation. It stands for the uplifting and binding together of young womanhood. Let every woman who reads these words resolve she will have some share in this great work by at least becoming a member.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The year just closed shows a financial gain of \$1,962.99.

(Signed) MRS. UNDERWOOD, President.  
MRS. A. B. CUSHING, Secretary.  
MISS GLASS, General Secretary.

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## REPORT OF CALGARY BRANCH OF THE UNITARIAN WOMEN'S ALLIANCE.

The Annual Meeting of the above took place at Unity Hall, 14th Avenue West, on the 6th May, 1914, when the following officers for the year were elected (1914-1915)

President, Mrs. E. P. Fletcher  
Vice-President, Mrs. R. B. Whitten  
Secretary, Mrs. J. J. Innes  
Treasurer, Mrs. Island

An ambitious programme for the year was mapped out, the work being divided into four sections—"Literary Department," under Mrs. B. P. Hutton; "Mothers in Council," under Mrs. Wade and Mrs. Lewis; Sick visiting, under Mrs. Burdette; "Social Service or Helping Hand," under Mrs. E. Ward; but September found the Alliance faced with such abnormal conditions arising from the war, that it was decided to abandon all social and literary work, and concentrate all its energies on the "Helping Hand" work. Assisted by many friends weekly meet-

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ings were held every Wednesday in Unity Hall from 1 to 6 p.m. Appeals for clothing resulted in a large quantity of garments being sent in, which were repaired or re-made, in some cases laundered, while a special maternity box was instituted, and through the untiring efforts of the workers has never been entirely empty, although many and urgent have been the calls upon it. A number of visits were paid to the homes of the sick and needy—in most cases personal service being rendered, especially in maternity cases. After the Victorian Order nurse has paid her daily visit there is much to be done for the mother and the new babe, often there are three or four other little ones to care for as well, too frequently the visitor finds an absolutely empty cupboard, and the joy of being able to render needy assistance through the Alliance has been great. In several cases medical supplies, articles of furniture, and baby carriages were also given, including gifts of money.

A boot-mending fund was established, through the sale of muslin and silk articles unsuitable for distribution, and hundreds of pairs of boots and shoes were mended and re-soled at half price, through the kindness of several boot-repairers. A large number of men, women, and children were kept clothed throughout the winter, and some families were entirely supported through a crisis, by means of the Alliance. The Red Cross was helped by one month's work, also the Belgian Relief, and other movements of a patriotic nature. Mrs. Lewis undertook the collection of a quantity of clothing for the poor children in the East End of London, England.

Another activity, which has proved a boon to many mothers, was the establishment of the Queen Mary Kindergarten School, which meets in Unity Hall, from 9.30 to 12.30 every morning, under the able tuition of an experienced kindergartner, Miss Kathleen D'Arcy, for children from two to seven years old. The school has the advantages also of the services of Miss Prineveau, a talented musician. Under her care the children are taught to hear and appreciate good music. To those visitors who pay a call to the school on the last Friday in the month to see the pupils at work, the harmony and grace of the children's games and lessons, and the excellence of their singing is most interesting. Miss D'Arcy also has several student teachers who are taking up kindergarten work under her supervision. There are at present between twenty and thirty pupils attending. The children are called for at their homes, and taken to and from the school in an automobile, thus relieving mothers of the anxiety attendant on having their little ones go unattended, besides saving the time of many mothers whose children are too young to go alone. The school is under the direction of Mrs. B. P. Hutton.

An enjoyable event was the visit to the Alliance of Mrs. Pratt, of Victoria, B.C., its former president, who gave an interesting account of her work at the coast.

The Women's Alliance while helping the sick and needy of Calgary, managed nevertheless to devote a considerable sum to the re-decoration of Unity Hall, which added greatly to the attractiveness of that building.

The post office mission was in the care of Mrs. Knights, who mailed many books, magazines and papers to various families out on the lonely ranches and homesteads of the province. This branch of our work is much appreciated by the recipients of the letters and literature, who are cut off from many advantages of city life.

Some members of the Alliance rendered personal service in needy homes, such as taking out small children while an invalid mother had a rest, doing ironing and housework for another sick woman, and many other efforts were made in helping to bear one another's burd-

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ens. On one occasion nineteen families were fitted out with clothing and boots, and many thousands of garments were distributed in all. The women of the Alliance feel that while their usual literary and social events have been abandoned, that this long, dark winter of the war has brought them closer together, in mutual comradeship and helpfulness, that a new bond of sympathy has been established, and that they may look forward to the future with steadfast courage, ready to take up whatever may be required of them. We cannot close our report without extending our thanks to the many friends who helped us in our charitable endeavors by providing materials and garments, and also to those who gave their time so generously in sewing with us. We are also greatly obliged to the Press of Calgary for the useful publicity they gave to our meetings, which while greatly extending our efforts, at the same time attracted to our aid many willing workers.

AMELIA S. INNES, Secretary.

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### CALGARY DIOCESAN BOARD WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE CANADIAN CHURCH (ANGLICAN)

#### Officers for 1915-1916

President—Mrs. W. A. Geddes.  
First Vice-President—Mrs. Henry Montgomery.  
Second Vice-President—Mrs. Frank Eaton.  
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Herbert Akitt.  
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Nease.  
Treasurer—Mrs. W. H. Mitchell.  
Indian Secretary—Mrs. Sidney Houlton.  
Dorcas Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. F. A. Sage.  
Assistant Dorcas Secretary—Mrs. George Brockbank.  
Junior Secretary—Miss M. Cox.  
Babies Secretary—Mrs. Murrell-Wright.  
Literature Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Leslie Stavert.  
United Thankoffering Secretary—Miss Tims.  
E.C.D. Secretary-Treasurer—Miss H. Heeney.

"Missionary work is the Church's life; if she fails in this she fails her Lord."

The eleventh annual meeting of the Calgary Diocesan Board of the Woman's Auxiliary was held at Paget Hall June 1, 2, 3 of this year, with 119 officers and delegates registered. A review of all the reports presented during the three days' sessions by the various departments and branches, shows that the missionary movement, both at home and in the far east, has gone steadily forward in spite of the distressing circumstances arising from the war. The members of the Woman's Auxiliary now number 1,182 in this diocese alone, with a total membership of 53,000 for the entire Dominion.

The appeals to this society, which has as its chief aim the support of all women workers in the Anglican Missions of Kangra, India, Honan, China, Mid Japan and our own Indian Missions, have necessarily been greater the past year owing to the financial stringency and the state of the war. The opening of the new Indian school at The Pas has considerably increased the work of the Dorcas department, which undertakes to clothe both the girls and boys of these schools and to provide each pupil with sufficient bedding and towels.

One of the happiest incidents of our year's work was the packing of eight Christmas hampers for the families of some of our brave

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prairie clergymen, who at this time are carrying on God's work in the face of great difficulties. It was also a matter of joy to all the members that we were able to meet the appeal for a complete communion service for the 31st Battalion, which was presented to Captain Walker for the use of the men of the battalion by our former president, Mrs. Bernard, and later consecrated by the Bishop of Calgary at a special service at the Pro-Cathedral, just before the 31st left for the front.

Though the lack of money has prevented the carrying out of many worthy enterprises we are thankful to say our pledges to the work we support have all been met, and we can start the new year free of debt. Increased interest has been manifested in all departments of our work both by individual members and branches. Five new life members have been given their certificates (there was only one last year), and several new branches have been formed. If there has not been as great a sum of money raised as in previous years this material lack is balanced by greater spiritual growth and a better understanding of what the Woman's Auxiliary stands for and what it is trying to do. We are looking "forward in faith and hope" to another year of progress. God "grant that we may never be discouraged," no matter what difficulties our Church and Empire may have to face.

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### THE CENTRAL WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

This, the parent union of the W.C.T.U. in Calgary, was organized some ten years ago, and since that time it has steadily gone forward, perfecting and broadening the scope of its work, until now there are four local unions, all doing effective work. It has a membership of one hundred at the present time, many of the former members joining some one of the other three unions.

The members of the present executive are:

President—MRS. WOODHALL, 319 Fifteenth Avenue West.  
First Vice-President—MRS. HUMPHRIES, Fifteenth Avenue West.  
Second Vice-President—MRS. RUTTAN, 310 Fifteenth Avenue West.  
Recording Secretary—MRS. DINGMAN, 1723 Tenth Street West.  
Corresponding Secretary—MRS. HUNT, 228 Thirteenth Avenue East.  
Treasurer—MRS. BRUCE, 527 Eighteenth Avenue West.

The union has taken up several departments of work, and elected superintendents for the following branches of work: Scientific temperance, lumber camp literature, evangelistic, flowers, fruit and delicacies, press, parlor and social meetings. In conjunction with the Crescent Heights Union it has maintained the creche or day nursery for some time, with a grant from the city council.

It was thought advisable this spring to discontinue the present site, and arrangements are now being made to open up nurseries in several parts of the city, renting one or more rooms in private houses, with the landlady in charge of the children. Mrs. Lebeau, president of Crescent Heights Union, has given valuable service in this work.

Two billboards illustrating temperance sentiment have been erected at a cost of \$120. Very substantial assistance was given to the Children's Aid at Christmas.

The union has worked in co-operation with the executive committee of Temperance and Moral Reform, and has contributed \$100

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to date to the prohibition campaign, \$10 to Mr. Gold, secretary of temperance for Alberta, and \$90 to the local association.

The Travelers' Aid is a joint work of the Central Union and the Y.W.C.A., the union supplying the funds and the Y.W.C.A. the board and room for the workers who meet each train at the three depots to aid and conduct inexperienced or confused travelers any hour of day or night to their destination within the city or to trains. Our workers are known by their official badge and uniform, which they always wear when on duty. They safeguard travellers, particularly women and girls, who by reason of inexperience or infirmity are in need of assistance.

The treasurer's report for the past year is as follows:

General Fund .....	\$361.17
Travelers' Aid .....	804.50
Creche .....	450.00

Total . . . . . \$1,615.67

T. L. DINGMAN, Secretary.

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### REPORT OF "WEST END" W.C.T.U. FOR 1914-15.

#### OFFICERS:

President, Mrs. H. M. MacCallum  
First Vice-President, Mrs. S. L. Adams  
Second Vice-President, Mrs. Bryant  
Third Vice-President, Mrs. Cummings  
Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. Cruikshank  
Treasurer, Mrs. J. R. Henderson  
Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. McKinley Cameron  
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. M. Peppard  
SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS  
W.C.T.U. Literature, Mrs. Chisholm  
Literary Correspondent, Miss Willets  
Evangelistic Work, Mrs. White and Mrs. Fraser  
Scientific Temperance, Miss McKinney  
Parlor Meetings, Mrs. Murison  
"Y." Work, Mrs. C. T. Smith  
Work Among Foreign Women, Mrs. George Brydon  
Flower Mission, Mrs. Bryant  
Social Convener, Mrs. J. Smith  
Programme, Mrs. Kennedy

#### DELEGATES TO LOCAL COUNCIL:

Mrs. Henderson      Mrs. Cruikshank      Mrs. Adams  
Miss McKinney

The Third Annual Meeting of the "West End" W.C.T.U. was held at the home of the President, June, 1914. The Secretary's report of the year's work was read and was adopted.

The Treasurer's report was also read, which showed a very successful year.

Regular meetings were held the last Thursday in the month at Olivet Baptist Church. Parlor meetings have been held every alternate Thursday, meeting at the homes of the members. This department of our work is becoming better understood among the unions as an important branch through which the membership is increased and strengthened.

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During the winter a large amount of sewing was done; clothing and material being donated by members and distributed among the needy of the city. Temperance literature has been distributed and leaflets bearing on the evils of the cigarette habit were placed in the Sunday Schools from time to time.

This branch held a grocery shower in aid of Day Nursery in December, also Fruit Shower for Convalescent Home. Acting upon the suggestion of our Provincial President we have placed Miss Foreman in the field to take up the work among our foreign sisters. We hail with delight this new worker and pledge her our financial support as well as our active sympathy and co-operation. The saying has become patent that in our boys and girls is the hope of the nation. Are we really alive to this fact? Other forces are doing their utmost to win them, and shall the women of the W.C.T.U. allow this opportunity to pass by unimproved.

At our regular meetings some very interesting discussions were held, led by outside speakers and encouraging reports of the progress of our work in different parts of the province were given. In addition to our regular work we have assisted financially in the following: Travellers' Aid, Labor Bureau, Biltboards, Provincial Pledge Work, Frances Willard Memorial, and Medal Contests.

To those who have been in touch with the workers of this branch there has been abundant evidence of steady advancement. The success of any plan rests with those who have the working out of details and, judging from the energy and enthusiasm manifested by our women, there is nothing to fear for the future of the "West End" W.C.T.U.

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### WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION (HILLHURST BRANCH)

President—Mrs. F. Roe, 318, Fourteenth Street N.W.

First Vice-President—Mrs. G. McElroy, 417 Fifth Avenue West.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. E. S. Munro, 405 Eleventh A Street N.W.

Secretary—Mrs. F. G. Hawkins, 238 Eleventh A Street N.W.

Treasurer—Mrs. E. S. Frost, 238 Eleventh A Street N.W.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. F. G. Hawkins, 238 Eleventh A Street N.W.

Our meetings are held every third Thursday at the home of the different members. We are in affiliation with the Local Council of Women.

At present we are taking up Red Cross sewing at our regular meeting and on one other afternoon of the month.

Last November we held a large "At Home" at Mrs. Munro's residence, at which the presidents of the other branches were present and gave us short addresses.

In January we united with St. Paul's Methodist League in having a community prohibition meeting. This was the first mass meeting of any kind held in the city for the prohibition campaign, and was a great success.

In March we had Miss Forman, Dominion organizer, give us an address on her work among the new Canadians. Several of our members have since gone visiting with her among them, and we are well represented every Thursday afternoon at the meeting held in Wiggins Hall, Riverside. We are always glad to welcome both new members and visitors.

Our branch was organized February 20, 1912, at a special meeting held in St. Paul's Methodist church, over which Mrs. Langford pre-

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sided and was given the name of the Northwest Branch of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

It was in June, 1913, that we changed the name from Northwest Branch to Hillhurst Branch. In July we held a picnic at Shouldice Park. There was a splendid turnout, and everyone had such an enjoyable time that it was decided to make it an annual affair. In September, 1913, we held a shower in aid of Crescent Heights Day Nursery, which proved very profitable.

In December, 1913, we held a special meeting for the Consumers' League, at which Mrs. Newhall, then president of that organization, gave us an address on the work they were doing and outlined their work for the coming year.

Our annual meeting was held in St. Paul's Methodist Church on March 6, 1914. Mrs. Harold Riley occupied the chair. The address of the evening was given by Dr. C. F. Ward, B.A., of Calgary University; also short addresses by Mrs. Woodhall, president of Central Branch; Mrs. Cassells, district superintendent; and by the Rev. Freeman of Hillhurst Baptist Church. There was a splendid musical program, and the meeting was well attended.

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### CALGARY WOMEN'S LITERARY CLUB

The club was organized on the ninth day of February, 1906, at the residence of Mrs. Davidson, Thirteenth avenue west, with these ladies present: Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Geo. McDonald, Miss Cutten, Miss McLennan, Miss Pearce. To Mrs. Davidson and Miss Cutten belongs the honor of having initiated the movement for a Literary Club.

The following officers were elected for the first term:

Honorary President—MRS. DAVIDSON.

President—MISS CUTTEN, B.A.

Vice-President—MISS McLENNAN, B.A.

Secretary-Treasurer—MRS. GEO. McDONALD.

The use of the Ladies' Parlor at the Central Methodist church having been granted, the club held its meetings there for the first year, when we moved to the Choir Room of Knox church, at the corner of Seventh avenue and Center street. The meetings were held there until an incident occurred which is now very amusing ancient history. The building had been declared unsafe, but was still in use for meetings of various kinds. In the midst of our study on one historic day loud cracks were heard, and the startled women fled, creeping back carefully to secure books and wraps that had been left behind in the hurried flight. Though the building remained in use for many months, and would stand for fifty years, so the contractors who removed it said, we were wanderers upon the face of the earth until the completion of the Public Library, where we now hold our regular meetings every Tuesday afternoon from October till June.

We have a constitution to which we adhere more or less rigidly. It calls for a membership of not more than thirty-five—a regular attendance of members—which is necessary owing to the members who are always upon the waiting list; a fee of \$1.00 per year, devoted usually to some philanthropic or benevolent purpose—this year to Red Cross work.

The objects of the club are to encourage the study of literature and to cultivate a taste for the best literature.

The following are the women who enrolled as members in 1906: Mrs. Davidson, Miss Cutten, Miss Barnard, Mrs. Cross, Mrs. Carson,

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Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Cherry, Mrs. G. A. Anderson, Mrs. Anderson (W.C.C.), Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Lamont, Mrs. Lawson, Miss McLennan, Mrs. McDonald, Miss Neilson, Mrs. Palmer, Miss Pearce, Miss P. Pearce, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Sisley, Miss Sherwood, Miss Toole, Miss Sheppard, Mrs. Seymour, Mrs. C. A. Stuart, Mrs. Pearce, Miss Wright.

The work done by the club has been extremely interesting and profitable. We have not covered all the world, have not even touched the fringe of many things we would have liked to have studied, but for the benefit of those who would like to do similar work we record here what we have tried to do.

We have read from these authors during the nine years of our existence: Shakespeare, Browning, Wordsworth, Plato, Emerson, Scott, Ruskin. We have also at various intervals studied for a week or two lesser lights, as, for instance, Francis Thompson's "Hound of Heaven," "Ex Ore Infantium." Our greatest achievement has been Browning's "The Ring and the Book," which we accomplished in two years. It was remarkable and most gratifying to the promoters of the work of the club that the interest and attendance of the members never failed, but was kept up all through those two years of study. At the close of that term's work we met at the residence of our honorary president, Mrs. Cruikshank, and each member gave her impressions of the poem and a quotation which she considered most valuable and beautiful.

The striking characters of this work, admirable and otherwise, were thoroughly discussed, so that there is no part of the poem with which every member is not thoroughly acquainted. Some of the quotations worthy of recording here will recall the poem to our members and others who know it.

"This does overwhelm me with surprise,  
Touch me with terror—not that faith, the pearl,  
Should be let lie by fishers wanting food—  
But that, when haply found and known and named,  
By the residue made rich for evermore,  
Then—that these favored ones should in a trice  
Turn, and with double zest go dredge for whelks,  
Mud worms that make the savory soup!"

"Beyond the tale, I reach into the dark,  
Feel what I cannot see, and still faith stands."

. . . . . "Was the trial sore?  
Temptation sharp? Thank God a second time!  
Why comes temptation but for man to meet  
And master and make crouch beneath his foot,  
And so be pedestaled in triumph? Pray  
'Lead us into no such temptations, Lord!'  
Yea, but, O Thou whose servants are the bold,  
Lead such temptations by the head and hair,  
Reluctant dragons up to who dares fight,  
That so he may do battle and have praise."

We have been favored quite frequently by lectures from our local authorities on these various authors, notably Dr. MacRae, Mr. Walker, formerly of the W.C. College, Judge Stuart, Dr. Clarke, Dean Paget, Prof. Sage, of the University staff, and others.

The last mentioned, Prof. Sage, gave an interesting lecture on "Paracelsus," by Robert Browning. The minutes record the following notes of the lecture: "Paracelsus gives us the downfall of an intel-

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lectual snob, the tragedy of a self-centered soul, the analysis of a super-sentitive nature, the strivings of a man to know without loving." The club also deduced these maxims from their reading of this poem. "Failure that leaves an unreachd ideal before the soul is a greater blessing than success which produces self-satisfaction. Every realized enjoyment, even in God, looks forward to a new and higher sphere of distant glory, and when that is reached to another sphere beyond."

Most interesting discussions on plays of Shakespeare, especially "The Tempest," the historical plays with which we began our club, "Othello," "Midsummer Night's Dream," "As You Like It," and others have occupied us from time to time. Our plan has been to assign the various characters to members of the club as soon as we have finished a play, and devote one meeting to a resume of the play and an analysis of the characters. We spent a most interesting term upon the study of "King Lear." At its close, in the resume of the play, Mrs. Wm. Carson and Miss Pearce gave us admirable "impressions of Cordelia." It would be hard to imagine more widely different descriptions of the same character. The one gave us Cordelia as sweet, lovable and womanly, the other as weak, wobbly and altogether a failure. Just so, each of us appears to her little world a different personality to every spectator.

Mrs. Julia Cruikshank, our honorary president, has recently published a book which has been most favorably received by reviewers and the general public. "Whirlpool Heights" will be read with pleasure and profit, both for its quiet philosophy and its human interest in life. Mrs. Cruikshank has been a valued and enthusiastic member of our club since October, 1909.

We have at the present writing thirty-five members upon our roll and about half a dozen on the waiting list. The officers for the current year are:

President—MRS. D. G. LAMONT.

Vice-Presidents—MRS. JAMES, MRS. N. McLAREN, MRS. J. E. A. McLEOD, MRS. C. A. STUART.

Secretary-Treasurer—MRS. F. ENGLISH.

Councillors—MISS PEARCE, MRS. CLARK, MRS. LANE,  
MRS. McRAE.

A great change has taken place in the personnel of our club since its beginning. In this unsettled, transient western life of ours such must inevitably be the case. Some of those who were with us once have gone before to that world where the soul's hunger for what is good and beautiful is forever satisfied—some have changed their residence from our city—some have transferred their interest to other activities. Of the first year's members there remains out of 27 enrolled 10 members. That is a somewhat remarkable record after all. The ebb and flow has not been in the charter membership but in those who came later.

Of those known to us who have left this world we quote here a paragraph from the pen of Mrs. Davidson (who left this city to live in Montreal in the autumn of 1909), upon receiving from the club a bouquet of Christmas roses. "I shall gather the leaves when they fall and add them to my bowl of dried rose leaves that still breathe to me a message of affection, for I hope never to survive the romance that clings to every token of that human love which is surely immortal."

"How I miss the weekly meetings of our Literary Club. They were a source of pleasure and profit to me during the four years of my membership. How often since I left Calgary have I longed to be with you all again that I might gain fresh views of the profound



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teachings of Browning and feel the strong uplift that he gives. I trust we may all meet again. Indeed, I feel sure that there will be many a gathering in the homeland hereafter, when the broken threads of our incomplete life here may be picked up and reunited for purposes for which our dear Literary Club has been but a beginning. For true is this: 'No work begun shall ever pause for death.' "

Of others gone from us, the record would not be complete without mentioning Mrs. Carrie Edgar Hall, a woman of great intellectual gifts, sane judgment, kindly charity and keen insight, who died in the summer of 1909. Mrs. Hall was well known in educational and press circles in this city and elsewhere.

There is room in our city for more organizations that have for their object the contemplation of great thoughts as they are recorded by the masters. In times of distress like the present they lift us above the tragedies that are in the world, and in times of prosperity they keep us from giving undue value to what are trifles light as air. There is but one opinion among the women who have followed with us during these almost ten years—this club has been a great help and inspiration.

ALEXANDRINA CLARK.

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### QUEEN MARY'S NEEDLEWORK GUILD

The great European war has brought much work to and demanded much of the women of all the nations engaged. While Canada has been further removed from the seat of activities than the other principals engaged in the strife, she has, as a part of the British Empire, borne, and been glad to, whatever portion of the burdens that has fallen to her lot as her men went to the front, or she was asked to share those of the motherland.

The great center of activity so far as the women have been concerned, apart from relieving local distress, has been in sewing. While the work of the Red Cross has attracted attention, irrespective of nationality or creed, another cause appealed to the women through the channels of Queen Mary's Needlework Guild. Previous to the outbreak of the war this organization was known to the majority of the women of Canada only through the press. Her Majesty, realizing the tremendous demands there would be on every charitable and philanthropic organization following the outbreak of a great war, considered it worth while to spread the propaganda of her favorite work, the Guild, throughout the Empire. Her efforts have been so successful that during the months since August thousands of articles have poured into the headquarters in London from every part of the Empire, from Canada, from Australia, from New Zealand, from India, from Newfoundland and from Africa. Each quota has carried with it its message of loyalty and devotion to the sovereign and the cause of the Empire and its Allies.

The task of making known the Guild, its endeavors and ambitions was no light one, and the mission in Canada was undertaken by a volunteer in the person of Miss Catherine Welland Merritt, St. Catharines, Ontario, who was appointed at Her Majesty's delegate.

Miss Merritt made a most successful tour of the Dominion, speaking in Calgary in January, when she laid the cause of the Guild before a large meeting of women held in the Public Library. There were no qualifications necessary to become a member, and owing to the number of patriotic and charitable organizations in existence in Calgary the formation of a branch of the Guild was not deemed necessary. All possible help was urgently requested, however. The Guild had calls for articles for the hospitals, both in Britain

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and at the front, for supplies for the men in the trenches, for the men in the barracks and garrisons and training camps, for the men on the ships of the navy, and also for the men, women and children who would be objects of charity at any time with the greater number suffering through the non-employment consequent on the war. The headquarters were established in London years ago, and to that point all contributions have been sent. Lady Williams-Taylor, of Montreal, President of the Guild of Canada, made arrangements with the Bank of Montreal to accept and convey free of charge to Montreal parcels from any point in the Dominion. From that port the Canadian Northern promised Lady Williams-Taylor free transportation to England



**MRS. JAMES A. LOUGHEED**

for all the contributions. These arrangements eliminated all inconvenience and expense of shipping, and placed it within the power of any citizen to assist the work of the Guild. Needless to say, the intervening months to the present have seen a steady stream of donations passing through Montreal and started for their destination in England.

Lady Northcliffe, wife of the well-known newspaper man Lord, Northcliffe, donated thousands of the pretty white and blue enamel badges with the gold letters, Q.M.N.G., for sale at twenty-five cents each, the proceeds of which went direct to Her Majesty to be spent at her discretion.

Miss Merritt announced that she herself had endeavored to encourage the work by granting a badge specially designed, of gold with the flags of their fine allies entwined. To each person sending or

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promising to send ten articles at the rate of one article a month, or the entire ten at any one time before the close of the war would be given one of these badges.

Mrs. J. A. Lougheed was asked to undertake the task of disposing of fifteen hundred badges in Calgary district, and later was notified through Miss Merritt of Her Majesty's pleasure at her willingness and of her wishes for her success.

A number of the special badges donated by Miss Merritt were also promised, and to the interested efforts of Mrs. Lougheed have been due the success of the work locally. The announcement of the arrival of the badges through the press was followed by letters from country districts and remote spots on the prairie, from both men and women, all anxious to give their twenty-five cents for a badge, or their contributions of clothing. While the majority of the badges have been disposed of already the work of sending garments still continues. Then ten badges sent by Miss Merritt have all been presented the women who undertook the task of sending at least ten garments. The local branch of the Bank of Montreal has had up to date, between two and three hundred articles sent through its office of Montreal where they have been re-sorted and forwarded to London.

The work of the Guild has had and will continue to have a specific appeal for every British woman who understands and appreciates the love and labor the Queen puts into this activity of hers for the good of her own suffering subjects.

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### WOMEN'S MUSICAL CLUB

Hon. President—Mrs. W. Roland Winter.

President—Mrs. F. H. Mitchell.

Vice-President—Mrs. F. S. Jacobs.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. Sharples.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Macdonald.

Treasurer—Miss Winifred Graham.

The Women's Musical Club was originally started in Calgary about ten years ago, by Mrs. Scott Dawson, who devoted herself in a whole-hearted manner to the task of organizing the Club, and was unanimously elected as its President during the first years of its existence.

Two of Calgary's musical women who are still prominent in musical circles, Mrs. W. Roland Winter and Mrs. A. M. Grogan, were the First and Second Vice-Presidents; Mrs. R. R. Jamieson, who has distinguished herself in many branches of women's work in the city, was the Secretary-Treasurer.

Mrs. W. Roland Winter held the office of President during the second season, which witnessed the coldest winter Calgary had ever experienced, and this fact, coupled with the departure from the city of many of the Club's most energetic members, gradually brought about the cessation of its activities.

The present Club was organized by Madame Orah Anderson, herself a singer and enthusiastic music lover and teacher, and is now entering upon its fourth year of work, Madame Anderson being re-elected President the second year.

In view of the changed conditions obtaining in the city and the larger number of musicians engaged in teaching the various branches of the art, it was decided advisable to draw certain rules to be observed by the members.

The aim of the Club is to foster and encourage an appreciation of

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music in the higher forms, and to offer encouragement to young musicians and students by affording them opportunities for the display of their talents at the regular fortnightly meetings of the Club, which during the past year have been held on the second and fourth Monday in each month from October to May, by the courtesy of Mr. J. A. Nolan, in Nolan's Hall.

Madame Walther was the President during the third year, and by her sound musicianly knowledge and unfailing tact did much towards the maintenance of the high standard set by the Club.



MRS. W. ROLAND WINTER

The professional musicians of the city, whether members of the Club or not, have been most generous in their offer of assistance, and to them much of the success of the meetings is due.

During the season of the Calgary Symphony Orchestra the programs of the Club meetings were arranged with a view to giving information and illustration of each orchestral concert previous to its performance. In this connection two interesting and instructive lectures were given on Haydn and Beethoven by Mrs. Glen Broder in the Public Library. The conductor of the Calgary Symphony Orchestra, Mr. Max Weil, spared no effort in supplying particulars of his various programs.

Two of the city's most admired musicians, Madame Beatrice Chapman and the late Miss Agnes Phillips (Mrs. Cooper), contributed entire programs in connection with the orchestral concerts. These were extremely valuable to all members of the Club, and proved most interesting. The work of the Club was started on examples of the compositions of the early masters, commencing with church music,

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followed by early Italian and German, embracing also the work of more modern composers towards the end of the year, and including examples of such well-known masters as Wagner, Richard Strauss, Dvorak Tschaiowski, Caesar Franck, Debussy, Saint-Saens, Gounod, Grieg, Edgar, Mascagni, Leoncavallo and Perosi.

It is proposed to open the autumn session with a vocal and instrumental concert and to devote several of the programs of the ensuing season to the study of the works of composers who are winning fame in the great music centers of the world today.

The membership of the Club has shown an increase each season, and the officers confidently look forward to a greatly augmented membership during the coming year, of both active and associate members.

### PRESS CLUB

Hon. President—Miss Eleanor McLennan.

President—Mrs. J. F. Price.

First Vice-President—Miss Evelyn Sinclair.—

Second Vice-President—Mrs. F. S. Jacobs.—

Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Daisy MacGregor.—

Social Committee—Miss Hutton, Mrs. West-Jones, Miss Walters, Mrs. Stavert.

Delegates to Local Council of Women—Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Stavert, Miss Walters

For a club, the personnel of which has since its organization seen more changes than the average woman's society, the Calgary Branch of the Canadian Woman's Press Club, in its way, has accomplished much, notably because it has always maintained a high standard of endeavor. Since through the kindness of Mr. J. H. Woods, editor of The Herald, it now has a most attractive and comfortable home in the Herald building, its scope is greatly enlarged and a stronger incentive to progress and development is evident along all channels of its activity.

The club has been in existence five years, and has always proven a source of inspiration and pleasure to the members. It has delved into interests of various natures, literary, charitable, patriotic and social, and has always enjoyed the co-operation of every member. As is usual with the majority of Press Clubs, there is a great diversity of interests within the club itself, the members, while bound by the common tie of "writing," having each her own special avenue of carrying on her work. The scope of this work has through the greater freedom permitted women in the west, offered opportunities more conservative eastern Canada denied, and as a result the club has in one member, Mrs. W. M. Davidson, the only woman who has ever covered the city hall, a role hitherto assigned to the Star reporters, and needless to say, a man's job. To another member, Mrs. Stavert, must be credited the issuing of the first children's newspaper, which appeared fifteen years ago as a part of the Minneapolis Tribune, and is still in existence. The list includes also authors, poets, specialty writers in newspapers and religious magazines, editors of women's departments in farm and country magazines, editors of magazines, writers on musical subjects, cartoonists, advertising writers and editors of women's sections in the daily newspapers.

While no literary work of any magnitude has been undertaken by the club until the present publication of a Blue Book, a special edition of The Western Standard was issued by the Club at the time of the C.W.P.C. triennial in Edmonton in 1913. The Club has planned a

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series of addresses pertaining to our work, the first of which was given by Mr. J. H. Woods, who spoke on the "Early Days of Calgary." Another one will be given shortly by Mr. W. M. Davidson, of The Albertan, on "The Freedom of the Press."

Assistance has been given charitable and patriotic organizations at various times, and special mention might be made of the Christmas tree given to one hundred children of the men at the front, in Cronrath Gardens, Christmas, 1914, in which the club received willing and generous assistance from the Tan-nis-uk Chapter I.O.D.E.

Not by any means has the social life been the least enjoyable feature of the Club life. The present year saw the holding of a



MRS. J. F. PRICE

Cinderella dance at the Palliser Hotel, Shrove Tuesday, which the Club hopes to make an annual affair. Luncheons and teas have been held at Cronn's Rathskellar and the Palliser and previously at the lovely home of Mrs. W. R. Winter, one of the members, who generously placed it at the disposal of the Club.

The guests have been many and noted, all interesting and bringing something pleasurable to the Club. Included in the number may be mentioned Kathleen Parlow, the violinist; Mrs. Mary Riter Hamilton, the artist; Miss Binnie Clarke, Miss Compton Burnett, English journalists; Marion Keith, the author of "Duncan Polite"; Mr. and Mrs. Lew's Waller, members of the Lewis Waller Company; Miss Corbett of the Express, Sydney, Australia; Miss Blanche Bates, the noted actress; Mrs. Lougheed, Mrs. R. R. Jamieson, Mrs. W. D. Spence and Mrs. Wilmer Hamilton.

The Local Council of Women also assisted the Club in entertaining the delegates at the time of the Tri-ennial in Edmonton in 1913,

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during their visit to the city. Members of the C. W. P. C. no less distinguished than the preceding guests have always been welcome visitors and have included Mrs. Arthur Murphy (Janey Canuck), the C. W. P. C. president; Mrs. Nellie McClung, who formally opened the new club room on the occasion of her recent visit to the city; Miss Agnes Laut, Miss Nan Moulton, president of the Winnipeg Press Club; Miss Cora Hind, commercial editor of the Manitoba Free Press, Mrs. Lipsett-Skinner of the Telegram, Winnipeg; Mrs. Ambrose Dickins, secretary C. W. P. C., Edmonton; Mrs. Seaman, of Port Arthur; Jennie Allen Moore, of the Canadian Home Journal; Mrs. Anne Anderson Perry (Philista of the Post, Winnipeg); Mrs. Balmer Watt, of Edmonton; Mrs. Mooney and Mrs. Simpson Hayes of the C. P. R., and Miss Anne Marrill of Edmonton; Mrs. C. P. Walker, of Winnipeg, and Miss Beatrice Nasmyth, of Vancouver Province.

DAISY MacGREGOR,  
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### LAWS GOVERNING ALBERTA WOMEN

In a publication of this size the space available for information pertaining to laws for women in Alberta is not sufficient to cover such a voluminous subject in detail. To give extensive or verbatim extracts would mean the publication of a large volume devoted to this subject exclusively. This department is intended merely to present a brief synopsis of the most important laws affecting women in this province, and to give women a general idea of their legal position. The following paragraphs contain a brief summary of the provincial enactments governing marriage, divorce and separation; property rights and franchise, with a reference to Dominion laws where these are in force in this province, in the absence of provincial legislation bearing on the subject.

It is noteworthy that this province has seldom exercised its privilege of enacting special laws pertaining to the regulating of social conditions. With few exceptions, the laws of the Dominion of Canada, or failing these, usage and common law, apply in this province. There is an absence of any provincial legislation regulating the employment of women in shops, factories and stores, and the hours of labor of women employes in various lines of work, or providing for a minimum wage, etc.

#### MARRIAGE

**Age**—Contracting parties in this province must be of the full age of 21 years or have the consent of father, or if father be deceased, of the mother, or if both parents are deceased, of the guardian. One exception is made to this, in the case of a female over 18 years of age living apart from her parents and earning her own living, when consent of parents or guardian is not necessary.

No mention is made of any age limit under or over which marriage may be contracted. Common law, therefore, applies, under which a boy of the full age of fourteen and a girl of the full age of twelve years may legally be married.

**License**—A license must be obtained from an authorized issuer of marriage licenses before ceremony can be performed. The fee for this license is \$3.00. One of the parties must make affidavit that there is no legal impediment.

**Ceremony**—The ceremony of marriage may be performed by all clergymen and ministers duly ordained and appointed according to

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the various rites of the religious societies to which they belong; commissioner and staff officers of the Salvation Army, or in the case of civil ceremony, by marriage commissioner duly appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

In the case of Doukhobors or Quakers desirous of being married according to the rites of their religion or creed, notice of not less than eight days must be given according to a prescribed form, signed by both parties and two witnesses.

Provision is made for a civil marriage by giving public notice in prescribed form of fourteen days.

**Witnesses**—Two witnesses, in addition to the clergyman or commissioner, are necessary.

**Registration**—Registration must be made in the district in which the ceremony is performed within one month of the date of the ceremony.

**Offences and Penalties**—Under the criminal code of Canada, an offender guilty of bigamy or of feigning a ceremony, is liable to seven years' imprisonment; an offender guilty of polygamy is liable to five years' imprisonment and a fine of \$500.

### DIVORCE AND SEPARATION

**Courts**—The laws relating to and providing for divorce in Alberta are the laws of the Dominion of Canada, which provide that persons seeking divorce must do so through the Senate of Canada. Applications for divorce submitted to the Senate are referred to a special committee of senators, who are appointed by the Senate, and who report back to that body. Divorce can only be legalized by special act of Parliament.

**Causes**—With a very few exceptions of early date there is no instance of divorce being granted without adultery having been proven. Other offences are considered in conjunction with the charge of adultery.

**Costs**—According to the statistics compiled by the clerk of the Senate, the average cost of obtaining a divorce is about \$1,200, of which \$210 is the fee for advertising notice in *The Gazette*. In addition to this fee there are the fees of counsel and witnesses' summonses, etc.

In the event of the petitioner being in poor circumstances, application may be made for a return of the fee, and will be considered by parliament in making decision.

When a wife is able to prove that she has not sufficient money to defend herself in an action brought by her husband, and also proves that she is prepared to make a good defence, the committee may make an order that her husband supply her with sufficient means to defend herself, to provide counsel and pay witnesses.

**Custody of Children**—In case of divorce the custody of any children of the union is determined in the act legalizing the divorce.

**Divorce by Foreign Courts**—The courts of Canada hold that no divorce decree of a foreign court dissolving a marriage made in Canada shall be recognized in Canada. Consequently, any person married in Canada and divorced in a foreign country, and remarried, is guilty of bigamy under Canadian laws.

**NOTE**—Each of the following provinces—Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and British Columbia—has a separate established court of divorce and matrimonial causes, governed by special acts.



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**Separation**—The Supreme Court of Alberta is empowered to deal with applications for separation and alimony and with validity of marriages. Separation and alimony may be granted according to the laws of England.

No special provision is made for the maintenance of deserted wives. By the criminal code of Canada any man who, being legally liable, refuses or neglects to support his wife, child or ward under 16, when they are in destitute or necessitous circumstances, is liable to a fine of \$500 or one year's imprisonment, or both.

**NOTE**—In several provinces, notably Manitoba, and as well British Columbia, Ontario and Saskatchewan, acts have been passed providing for the maintenance of deserted wives at the expense of their husbands, and in case of a husband's refusal to carry out the order of a court, penalty is provided. So far no legislation has been enacted in Canada providing for the compulsory employment of offending husbands and the payment of a fair share of his earnings to his family.

### PROPERTY RIGHTS

**Married Women**—A married woman has all the rights and is subject to all the liabilities in regard to property, real and personal, the same as if unmarried.

Husband and wife may transfer land to each other without the intervention of a trustee.

A wife's property is not liable for a husband's debts.

A wife has control of her own earnings.

A wife may make a will without the authorization of her husband.

A married woman may sue and be sued without intervention. Costs recovered shall be her property. Costs registered against her are payable out of her own property and not otherwise, unless her husband has intermeddled.

**Right to Husband's Property**—Except as provided in the Married Woman's Relief Act and the Married Woman's Home Protection Act, a wife has no right to any property, real or personal, of her husband. Any or all property held by her husband may be sold, leased, mortgaged or otherwise encumbered without her authorization, and may be transferred by will according to his pleasure.

**The Married Woman's Relief Act** provides that in the event of a husband's death, the wife may within sixty days after the date of his death make application for a share of the property comprising the estate of the deceased. This application is considered by a judge of the Supreme Court, who may make provision according to his discretion, notwithstanding the conditions of any will or testament of the deceased.

**The Married Woman's Home Protection Act (passed 1915)** provides that a wife may, without charge, file a caveat against any transfer, mortgage, lease, encumbrance or other instrument made by her husband affecting a homestead or house and buildings occupied as a home within the past six months. At any time thereafter the husband may apply to a judge of the Supreme Court for a removal of this caveat, and the judge may make such an order as seems to him just.

**Intestacy**—A man dying intestate, and without children, the whole of his property goes to his widow, provided they are not living apart; if there are children, one-third goes to the widow and the balance to the children in equal shares. If there be neither widow nor children the property goes to the father or, in the event of his decease, to the mother.

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**Illegitimate Issue**—An illegitimate child inherits equally with a legitimate child the property of a mother dying intestate; the mother is the sole heir of an illegitimate child dying intestate and without issue.

**Wills**—The requisites to the making of a valid will are: The testator must be of sound mind and over 21 years of age. No imbecile, insane or interdicted person can make a valid will.

A valid will must be in writing and signed by the testator as well as by two witnesses, who must sign in the presence of each other. It must be in one of two prescribed forms. It may be executed before either one or two notaries who are not related to the testator, and in this case the will does not require probate.

### FRANCHISE

**Provincial**—Only those persons eligible to vote at a Dominion election have the right to vote at a provincial election, or on any plebiscite or other matter referred to the electorate by the provincial legislature. A woman is not eligible to vote in provincial elections.

**Municipal**—Under the city charters of Edmonton and Calgary and by the provisions of the Alberta Towns Act, women exercise practically the same franchise rights as men. Any woman assessed as a property owner or as a tenant has the right to vote at all municipal elections. Any woman assessed as a property owner may vote on all city bylaws.

A married woman not a property owner or tenant in her own name may not be assessed as the tenant of her husband's property occupied by them jointly as a home, although a married man may be assessed as tenant of property owned by his wife and occupied as a home.

**Eligibility to Hold Office**—By a recent amendment to the city charter, women are eligible to the office of trustee on the school board, the qualifications for office being in all respects the same as those required for men.

Women are not declared eligible to hold office as mayor, commissioner or alderman in the city of Calgary.

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### SIMPLIFIED RULES OF ORDER

"Let everything be done decently and in order," was the sage advice given by the great scholar of Tarsus, which is particularly applicable to the conduct of club meetings and which the presiding officer of every organization would do well to bear in mind. With a view to bringing about such a happy condition and perhaps assisting in the solving of some of the parliamentary problems which inevitably arise in the best regulated society, a few of the most necessary rules governing club meetings have been compiled and are presented herewith in a simple form.

**Organization:** When a meeting has been called for the organization of a society, the purpose and aim of such a society is first explained to those assembled and a request made by the speaker that a chairman be appointed (which is usually done by nomination, seconded, and then passed by the assembly), in order that the business of organization may proceed. A temporary secretary is then chosen by the chairman. The number of officers that shall constitute the executive is then decided and the election of same is in order—or the matter may be left in the hands of a committee appointed by the assembly, which can retire from the meeting and return to make its report, or the meeting be adjourned, after the appointing of a com-

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mittee on constitution. A meeting to act on the reports of both committees is then called for an early date. After the election of officers and the adoption of a constitution the organization is completed.

**Election of Officers:** Nomination for office may be made by ballot or from the floor, as the assembly decrees. The election of nominees should always be by formal ballot.

**Quorum:** In most societies, especially those conducting a great amount of business, it is necessary that a certain number of the members called a quorum, should meet together for the transaction of this business. This rule has been deemed essential to secure fairness of proceeding, and to prevent matters from being concluded in a hasty manner, or agreed to by so small a number of members as to create unfavorable comment and dissatisfaction. The number that shall constitute a quorum is fixed by the society, but if this rule is not incorporated in the constitution governing a society, a majority of the members comprising the society shall be empowered to conduct its affairs.

**The Presiding Officer:** The principal duties of this office are as follows:

To open all meetings by calling the members to order;

To announce the business before the meeting in the order in which it is to be acted upon;

To receive and submit, in the proper manner, all propositions, motions or amendments presented by the members;

To put to the vote all such questions as have been moved and seconded, and duly discussed and considered by the members, and to announce the result of all such voting;

To maintain order and to prevent the occurrence of any undue disturbance or unnecessary debate;

To authenticate by her signature the acts, orders or proceedings of the club and countersign all cheques;

To be ready to inform the members, when necessary, in any point of order or practice;

To represent the club when occasion demands and to carry out its wishes implicitly where affiliated with other bodies.

**Motions:** Propositions made by members are drawn up in writing and introduced by motion in the form they are intended by the mover to be given, as orders, resolutions or votes of thanks. All motions require a second, that is, the approval of another member, before they can be discussed or the question put to the assembly. If a motion be not seconded, no notice is taken of it by the presiding officer. When a motion is regularly before a meeting no other motion or proposition, except that to adjourn, can be received until said motion is disposed of.

**The Amendment:** When a meeting is satisfied with the subject matter of a proposition but not with the form in which it is presented, or with its different parts, and desires to make some change in the wording or addition to the text, it is in order to do so. This is called an amendment. The amendment must be written and passed through the same order as the motion. There can be an amendment to an amendment; but **not a third amendment**.

Motions or amendments to motions may be withdrawn with the consent of the seconder or by a majority vote of the meeting.

Whatever is agreed by the meeting on a vote, either adopting or rejecting a proposed motion or amendment, cannot be altered or amended. A motion to adjourn is always in order and can take the place of any business or motion before the meeting.

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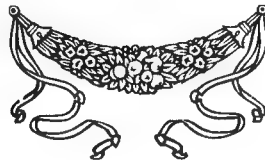
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